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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT DECLINES NOTICEABLY: During the mid-week of November, 1982, total employment in the State was estimated to be 2,668,800, an over-the-month decrease of 21,100 persons (-0.8 percent). All three of the principal employment segments sustained monthly losses. Agricultural employment continued its seasonal cutbacks, falling by 15,700 (-22.1 percent); "all other" nonagricultural employment dropped by 2,200 (-0.8 percent); and nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) suffered a decrease of 3,200 (-0.1 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO FALL: Manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) in North Carolina recorded a loss of 5,300 persons (-0.7 percent) from mid-October, 1982, to mid-November, 1982. In nondurable goods, tobacco manufacturing employment fell by 2,300 workers (-8.5 percent) due to seasonal layoffs in stemmeries. Textile mill products employment was down by 2,100 (-0.9 percent), primarily the result of temporary layoffs. In the durable goods sector, furniture and fixtures employment declined by 800 people (-1.0 percent) mainly due to the layoff of over 400 workers by one firm. Modest employment growth was recorded by five industry groups, led by apparel, up 400.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EDGES UPWARD: In mid-November, 1982, the State's nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,585,400, a net monthly increase of 2,000 workers (+0.1 percent). Two industry groups enjoyed good growth while one sustained a significant setback. Goverment employment jumped by 4,600 (+1.1 percent) due to increases in State and Local Education. Moreover, trade employment experienced a modest gain of 1,000 (+0.2 percent) because of seasonal retail activity. On the other hand, seasonal reductions of 3,100 (-0.8 percent) in service and miscellaneous partially offset those two gains.

MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING DROP OVER THE YEAR: North Carolina's manufacturing and nonmanufacturing employment both suffered over-the-year declines. Manufacturing employment was down by 52,200 (-6.4 percent) as every industry group except one registered losses. Textile mill products was once again the big loser in nondurable goods, falling by 17,300 people (-7.3 percent). In durable goods, electrical machinery sustained the largest net yearly loss, 5,800 (-10.6 percent). Nonmanufacturing employment was off by 5,100 (-0.3 percent) from November, 1981, to November, 1982; however, the service and miscellaneous industry did enjoy growth of 8,300 (+2.3 percent). That was more than offset, through, by the recession-related decline of 11,100 workers (-9.6 percent) in the construction industry.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT EDGES UPWARD: North Carolina's total unemployment was estimated to be 278,700 during the mid-week of November, 1982. That figure represented an over-the-month gain of 2,500 people (+0.9 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment advanced from 9.3 percent in October, 1982, to 9.5 percent in November, 1982. One year ago (November, 1981) the unemployment situation was much improved as there were 184,200 persons out of work and the rate was 6.3 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.4 percent in November, 1982, 9.9 percent in October, and 7.9 percent in November, 1981. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.8 percent in November, 1982, 10.4 percent in October, and 8.3 percent twelve months ago.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/
November, 1982

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	Nov. 2/ 1982	Oct. 3/ 1982	Nov. 1981	Oct., 1982		Nov., 1981	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,947,500	2,966,100	2,912,600	-18,600	- 0.6	+34,900	+ 1.2
Employment, Total	2,668,800	2,689,900	2,728,400	-21,100	- 0.8	-59,600	- 2.2
Agricultural Employment	55,400	71,100	59,600	-15,700	-22.1	- 4,200	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,334,200	2,337,400	2,404,500	- 3,200	- 0.1	-70,300	- 2.9
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	279,200	281,400	264,300	- 2,200	- 0.8	+14,900	+ 5.6
Unemployment, Total	278,700	276,200	184,200	+ 2,500	+ 0.9	+94,500	+51.3
State Unadjusted Rate	9.5	9.3	6.3	+0.2	XXX	+3.2	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	10.4	9.9	7.9	+0.5	XXX	+2.5	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.8	10.4	8.3	+0.4	XXX	+2.5	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1981 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED RISE: From the middle of October to the middle of November, 1982, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees enjoyed a good gain of 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent). Moreover, the November, 1982, figure of $6.46 represents a yearly net increase of 30¢ an hour (+4.9 percent). The durable goods sector experienced a strong over-the-month net jump of 6¢ an hour (+0.9 percent) to hit $6.67 in November, 1982. That was 27¢ an hour (+4.2 percent) above twelve months ago. The durable goods industry group that displayed the largest net monthly increase was fabricated metal products, up by 20¢ an hour (+2.8 percent) to reach $7.32. Transportation equipment followed with an over-the-month gain of 16¢ an hour (+2.2 percent) to arrive at $7.44 in November. The nondurable goods sector rose to $6.35 in November, 1982, a healthy net monthly increase of 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent). That figure represented over-the-year growth of 33¢ an hour (+5.5 percent). Tobacco manufacturing led the way in nondurables with an impressive net monthly surge of $1.15 an hour (+12.0 percent) for a November figure of $10.70. The nondurable goods industry exhibiting the second largest monthly rise was food and kindred products, which advanced by 13¢ an hour (+2.2 percent) to $5.99. The average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers climbed to $249.36 in November, 1982. That was a monthly gain of $3.34 (+1.4 percent) as well as a yearly increase of $10.97 (+4.6 percent). In November, 1982 average weekly hours stood at 38.6, which was a slight over-the-month increase of 0.1 of an hour. However, the current level is 0.1 of an hour below one year ago.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX DECLINES IN NOVEMBER: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers actually fell to 293.6 in November, 1982. That was an over-the-month decrease of 0.2 percent but an over-the-year rise of 4.6 percent. However, two of the major catagories within the index did experience rather large monthly jumps as both medical care and "other" goods and services rose by 1.0 percent. The only other main group to exhibit an over-the-month increase was transportation, up by just 0.1 percent. The cost of housing displayed the largest decline, down by 0.5 percent. That was followed by food and beverages and entertainment, both of which dropped by 0.2 percent. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $293.60 in November, 1982.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS ARE BLEAK: From the middle of November, 1982, to the middle of January, 1983, North Carolina's total employment will probably decrease measurably. Several factors should contribute to this reduction. Agricultural employment will continue to decline, reaching its seasonal low by mid-January, 1983. Also, additional seasonal cutbacks plus a reduction in orders due to the recession should have a negative impact on manufacturing employment. Hopefully, nonmanufacturing employment will stay almost constant during this two-month period. On the other hand, it is anticipated that total unemployment in the State may rise from mid-November, 1982, to mid-January, 1983, with the unemployment rate doing the same.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES: Since the beginning of the 1983 Fiscal Year (October 1, 1982), the number of active job applicants registered for work with the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina has grown by 7,596 (+3.9 percent). The total stood at 201,522 as of November 30, 1982. The twenty-two to thirty-nine segment was the largest active applicant group by age with 122,803 or 60.9 percent of the total. A distant second was the forty to fifty-four age group which had 35,405 or 17.6 percent. By far the smallest age sector was fifty-five and over with only 11,973 or 5.9 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were males, numbering 104,904 or 52.1 percent of the total. The largest ethnic group of applicants was white (not including Hispanics). That group accounted for 62.3 percent of the total or 125,317. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file at the end of November, 1982.

Statewide Active Applicant File
November 30, 1982

	Number	Percent
Total	201,522	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	31,341	15.6
22-39	122,803	60.9
40-54	35,405	17.6
55 and Over	11,973	5.9
Sex		
Male	104,904	52.1
Female	96,618	47.9
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	125,317	62.3
Black (not Hispanic)	71,787	35.6
Hispanic	1,093	0.5
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,280	1.1
Other Races and Undetermined	1,045	0.5
Eligible Claimant	107,227	53.2
Veteran	31,578	15.7
Handicapped	12,463	6.2
Welfare	16,963	8.4

JOB OPENINGS CONTINUE TO DECLINE: There were 12,090 job openings received by the Job Service offices in the State during November, 1982. That figure represented a two-month decrease of 4,840 (-28.6 percent). The majority of the openings in November was filled (10,149 or 83.9 percent). Farming, fisheries, and forestry was the occupational category which had the largest number of job openings received in November, 2,571, most of which were filled (2,492 or 96.9 percent). Service occupations registered the second largest number of job openings recieved with 1,893. Of that total, 1,453 or 76.8 percent were filled. The third largest number of job openings received in November, 1982, occurred in clerical occupations where there were 1,514 received and 1,260 or 83.2 percent filled. The processing category continues to receive the fewest job openings with only 415 in November, 278 (67.0 percent) of which were filled. A total of 27,242 job openings has been received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina for the fiscal year to date (October 1, 1982, through November 30, 1982). The vast majority of those (23,501 or 86.3 percent) was filled. As of November 30, 1982, there were 6,065 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Most of those (3,663 or 60.4 percent) have remained open for thirty days or more and are therefore classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on North Carolina's job openings during November, 1982, and for the fiscal year to date.

Statewide Job Openings Data

	November, 1982		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Nov. 30, 1982	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	648	330	1,252	640	786	494
Clerical	1,514	1,260	3,150	2,422	941	530
Sales	793	664	1,747	1,375	528	338
Service	1,893	1,453	4,119	3,343	937	537
Domestic	232	200	446	395	41	20
Other Services	1,661	1,253	3,673	2,948	896	517
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	2,571	2,492	7,007	6,954	96	66
Processing	415	278	916	829	274	134
Machine Trades	752	582	1,532	1,144	625	398
Bench Work	1,110	937	2,275	2,097	755	508
Structural Work	1,250	1,056	2,751	2,355	659	365
Miscellaneous	1,144	1,097	2,493	2,342	464	293
Motor Freight & Trans.	304	237	645	488	144	85
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	801	841	1,767	1,808	288	192
Other	39	19	81	46	32	16
Total	12,090	10,149	27,242	23,501	6,065	3,663

1/ October 1, 1982, through November 30, 1982.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1982

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT Nov. 1982 (Thous.)	Oct. 1982 (Thous.)	Nov. 1981 (Thous.)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: Oct. 1982	Nov. 1981
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,348.0	2,351.3	2,405.3	- 0.1	- 2.4
MANUFACTURING	762.6	767.9	814.8	- 0.7	- 6.4
DURABLE GOODS	284.7	285.2	306.9	- 0.2	- 7.2
Lumber & Wood Products	33.1	33.2	34.5	- 0.3	- 4.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.4	12.4	13.2	-0-	- 6.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.7	8.0	-0-	- 3.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.1	3.1	- 3.2	- 3.2
Furniture & Fixtures	80.4	81.2	84.8	- 1.0	- 5.2
Household Furniture	72.0	72.7	75.9	- 1.0	- 5.1
Wood Household Furniture	38.6	39.2	41.3	- 1.5	- 6.5
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.1	27.9	29.2	+ 0.7	- 3.8
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.0	16.1	17.7	- 0.6	- 9.6
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.9	2.0	- 5.3	-10.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.5	4.6	+ 2.2	-0-
Primary Metal Industries	7.6	7.7	8.7	- 1.3	-12.6
Fabricated Metal Products	23.4	23.4	26.1	-0-	-10.3
Fab. Structural Metal Products	10.2	10.1	10.8	- 1.0	- 5.6
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	48.6	48.4	50.5	+ 0.4	- 3.8
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.6	7.9	- 1.5	-17.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.0	48.7	54.8	+ 0.6	-10.6
Household Appliances	5.3	5.4	5.4	- 1.9	- 1.9
Transportation Equipment	13.5	13.2	15.4	+ 2.3	-12.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	13.1	13.3	14.4	- 1.5	- 9.0
NONDURABLE GOODS	477.9	482.7	507.9	- 1.0	- 5.9
Food & Kindred Products	42.5	42.9	43.3	- 0.9	- 1.8
Meat Products	16.1	16.1	16.3	-0-	- 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.4	2.4	+ 4.2	+ 4.2
Dairy Products	3.1	3.1	3.1	-0-	-0-
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	-0-	-0-
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	-0-	-0-
Beverages	6.5	6.6	6.8	- 1.5	- 4.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.7	27.0	27.2	- 8.5	- 9.2
Cigarettes	19.7	19.3	19.8	+ 2.1	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.5	7.2	6.8	-37.5	-33.8
Textile Mill Products	219.1	221.2	236.4	- 0.9	- 7.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.5	63.0	70.7	- 0.8	-11.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.1	33.0	37.4	+ 0.3	-11.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.2	29.8	33.0	- 2.0	-11.5
Knitting Mills	72.7	73.8	76.8	- 1.5	- 5.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.4	20.4	20.4	-0-	-0-
Hosiery, NEC	21.2	21.2	22.3	-0-	- 4.9
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.5	14.6	15.0	- 0.7	- 3.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.2	6.0	6.8	-13.3	-23.5
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.4	15.3	15.7	+ 0.7	- 1.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.7	56.2	58.7	- 0.9	- 5.1

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1982

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Nov. 1982 (Thous.)	Oct. 1982 (Thous.)	Nov. 1981 (Thous.)	Oct. 1982	Nov. 1981
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.2	84.8	87.9	+ 0.5	- 3.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	25.7	25.3	26.9	+ 1.6	- 4.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.8	41.8	42.7	-0-	- 2.1
Paper & Allied Products	20.8	20.9	21.3	- 0.5	- 2.3
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.9	11.0	- 0.9	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.0	6.2	6.5	- 3.2	- 7.7
Printing & Publishing	21.0	20.8	21.2	+ 1.0	- 0.9
Newspapers	8.3	8.2	8.4	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	34.1	34.2	38.3	- 0.3	-11.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.3	13.5	16.4	- 1.5	-18.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.5	24.8	26.6	- 1.2	- 7.9
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	6.0	6.1	5.7	- 1.6	+ 5.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1585.4	1583.4	1590.5	+ 0.1	- 0.3
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.7	-0-	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	104.2	104.1	115.3	+ 0.1	- 9.6
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.9	116.1	118.3	- 0.2	- 2.0
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	56.3	56.4	58.1	- 0.2	- 3.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.2	54.2	54.1	-0-	+ 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	474.4	473.4	478.5	+ 0.2	- 0.9
Wholesale Trade	120.4	122.0	121.8	- 1.3	- 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	69.7	69.7	71.8	-0-	- 2.0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	50.7	52.3	50.0	- 3.1	+ 1.4
Retail Trade	354.0	351.4	356.7	+ 0.7	- 0.8
General Merchandise Stores	55.3	53.2	54.9	+ 3.9	+ 0.7
Variety Stores	14.1	14.0	13.7	+ 0.7	+ 2.9
Food Stores	56.3	56.4	55.9	- 0.2	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.2	99.6	98.0	- 0.4	+ 1.2
SERVICES	363.0	366.1	354.7	- 0.8	+ 2.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	20.1	21.1	19.1	- 4.7	+ 5.2
Personal Services	22.2	22.1	22.5	+ 0.5	- 1.3
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.8	9.8	10.0	-0-	- 2.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	424.1	419.5	421.0	+ 1.1	+ 0.7
Federal	49.0	49.0	47.8	-0-	+ 2.5
State	128.1	125.2	125.8	+ 2.3	+ 1.8
Education	68.0	64.8	65.2	+ 4.9	+ 4.3
Other	60.1	60.4	60.6	- 0.5	- 0.8
Local	247.0	245.3	247.4	+ 0.7	- 0.2
Education	144.1	142.8	144.2	+ 0.9	- 0.1
Other	102.9	102.5	103.2	+ 0.4	- 0.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1982 (Thous)	October 1982 (Thous)	November 1981 (Thous)	October 1982	November 1981
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2323.7	2328.4	2381.5	- 0.2	- 2.4
MANUFACTURING	756.1	763.9	809.0	- 1.0	- 6.5
DURABLE GOODS	282.8	284.3	304.9	- 0.5	- 7.2
Lumber & Wood Products	33.0	33.2	34.4	- 0.6	- 4.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.4	12.5	13.2	- 0.8	- 6.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.7	7.7	8.0	0	- 3.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	3.0	3.5	0	- 14.3
Furniture & Fixtures	79.4	81.1	83.8	- 2.1	- 5.3
Household Furniture	71.0	72.6	74.9	- 2.2	- 5.2
Wood Household Furniture	38.0	39.3	40.7	- 3.3	- 6.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.1	28.0	29.2	+ 0.4	- 3.8
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.0	16.1	17.7	- 0.6	- 9.6
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.9	2.0	- 5.3	- 10.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.5	4.6	+ 2.2	0
Primary Metal Industries	7.6	7.7	8.7	- 1.3	- 12.6
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	23.2	25.8	- 0.4	- 10.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	10.0	10.0	10.6	0	- 5.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	48.4	48.5	50.3	- 0.2	- 3.8
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.6	7.9	- 1.5	- 17.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	48.6	48.1	54.3	+ 1.0	- 10.5
Household Appliances	4.9	5.0	5.0	- 2.0	- 2.0
Transportation Equipment	13.7	13.2	15.6	+ 3.8	- 12.2
Other Durable Goods 2/	13.0	13.2	14.3	- 1.5	- 9.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	473.3	479.6	504.1	- 1.3	- 6.1
Food & Kindred Products	42.2	42.5	43.0	- 0.7	- 1.9
Meat Products	16.0	16.1	16.2	- 0.6	- 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.4	2.4	+ 4.2	+ 4.2
Dairy Products	3.1	3.1	3.1	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	8.0	0	0
Beverages	6.6	6.6	6.9	0	- 4.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.2	23.7	24.5	- 6.3	- 9.4
Cigarettes	19.7	19.4	19.8	+ 1.5	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.9	4.2	4.4	- 31.0	- 34.1
Textile Mill Products	218.9	222.1	236.1	+ 1.4	- 7.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.4	63.4	70.6	- 1.6	- 11.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.1	33.2	37.4	- 0.3	- 11.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.1	29.9	32.9	- 2.7	- 11.6
Knitting Mills	72.9	74.4	77.0	- 2.0	- 5.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.4	20.5	20.3	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Hosiery, NEC	21.2	21.2	22.3	0	- 4.9
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.6	14.8	15.1	- 1.4	- 3.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.3	6.1	6.9	- 13.1	- 23.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.4	15.3	15.7	+ 0.7	- 1.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.6	56.2	58.6	+ 1.1	- 5.1

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November, 1982

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1982 (Thous)	October 1982 (Thous)	November 1981 (Thous)	October 1982	November 1981
Apparel & Other Textile Products	84.7	84.3	87.4	+ 0.5	- 3.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	25.5	25.2	26.7	+ 1.2	- 4.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.8	41.8	42.6	0	- 1.9
Paper & Allied Products	20.8	20.9	21.3	- 0.5	- 2.3
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.9	11.0	- 0.9	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.0	6.2	6.5	- 3.2	- 7.7
Printing & Publishing	19.8	20.8	21.1	- 4.8	- 6.2
Newspapers	8.3	8.2	8.4	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	34.2	34.5	38.5	- 0.9	- 11.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.3	13.6	16.4	- 2.2	- 18.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.5	24.6	26.5	- 0.4	- 7.5
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	6.0	6.2	5.7	- 3.2	+ 5.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1567.6	1564.5	1572.5	+ 0.2	- 0.3
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.7	0	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	102.9	102.1	113.8	+ 0.8	- 9.6
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.4	115.3	117.8	+ 0.1	- 2.0
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.5	55.2	57.3	+ 0.5	- 3.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.5	54.5	54.4	0	+ 0.2
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	467.3	468.1	471.2	- 0.2	- 0.8
Wholesale Trade	119.2	119.5	120.6	- 0.3	- 1.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	69.8	69.8	71.9	0	- 2.9
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	49.4	49.7	48.7	- 0.6	+ 1.4
Retail Trade	348.1	348.6	350.6	- 0.1	- 0.7
General Merchandise Stores	52.2	52.9	51.9	- 1.3	+ 0.6
Variety Stores	13.4	13.8	13.0	- 2.9	+ 3.1
Food Stores	55.9	56.1	55.4	- 0.4	+ 0.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.6	99.9	98.4	- 0.3	+ 1.2
SERVICES	365.6	364.6	357.2	+ 0.3	+ 2.4
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	20.9	20.6	19.9	+ 1.5	+ 5.0
Personal Services	22.5	22.5	22.9	0	- 1.7
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.8	9.8	10.0	0	- 2.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	412.2	409.9	409.4	+ 0.6	+ 0.7
Federal	49.6	49.4	48.4	+ 0.4	+ 2.5
State	122.2	121.3	120.2	+ 0.7	+ 1.7
Education	61.5	61.0	59.0	+ 0.8	+ 4.2
Other	60.7	60.3	61.2	+ 0.7	- 0.8
Local	240.4	239.2	240.8	+ 0.5	- 0.2
Education	136.7	135.5	136.8	+ 0.9	- 0.1
Other	103.7	103.7	104.0	0	- 0.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1982

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1982	October 1982	November 1981	October 1982	November 1981
MANUFACTURING	607.2	612.2	657.9	- 0.8	- 7.7
DURABLE GOODS	214.8	215.0	236.5	- 0.1	- 9.2
Lumber & Wood Products	29.1	29.2	30.5	- 0.3	- 4.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.8	6.7	7.1	+ 1.5	- 4.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.5	2.6	2.5	- 3.8	0
Furniture & Fixtures	70.9	71.7	75.0	- 1.1	- 5.5
Household Furniture	64.1	64.8	67.7	- 1.1	- 5.3
Wood Household Furniture	35.0	35.6	37.7	- 1.7	- 7.2
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.7	12.8	14.5	- 0.8	-12.4
Structural Clay Products	1.3	1.4	1.4	- 7.1	- 7.1
Primary Metal Industries	5.5	5.7	6.6	- 3.5	-16.7
Fabricated Metal Products	17.0	16.9	19.1	+ 0.6	-11.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.3	25.0	28.3	+ 1.2	-10.6
Special Industry Machinery	4.4	4.4	5.5	0	-20.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	33.9	33.5	39.2	+ 1.2	-13.5
Household Appliances	4.7	4.9	4.8	- 4.1	- 2.1
Transportation Equipment	10.6	10.2	12.2	+ 3.9	-13.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	392.4	397.2	421.4	- 1.2	- 6.9
Food & Kindred Products	28.3	28.6	29.1	- 1.0	- 2.7
Meat Products	13.7	13.7	13.9	0	- 1.4
Meat Packing	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.6	1.7	+ 6.2	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.4	4.6	+ 2.3	- 2.2
Beverages	2.3	2.3	2.6	0	-11.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.2	22.4	22.7	- 9.8	-11.0
Cigarettes	15.9	15.5	16.2	+ 2.6	- 1.9
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.8	6.4	6.0	-40.6	-36.7
Textile Mill Products	194.1	196.2	211.2	- 1.1	- 8.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	55.5	55.9	63.6	- 0.7	-12.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.4	29.3	33.8	+ 0.3	-13.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.9	26.5	29.6	- 2.3	-12.5
Knitting Mills	63.5	64.6	67.6	- 1.7	- 6.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	17.9	17.9	18.1	0	- 1.1
Hosiery, NEC	19.6	19.5	20.5	+ 0.5	- 4.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.3	12.4	12.8	- 0.8	- 3.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.3	5.1	5.9	-15.7	-27.1
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.0	13.0	13.3	0	- 2.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.3	51.9	54.4	- 1.2	- 5.7
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.2	74.8	77.9	+ 0.5	- 3.5
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	24.0	23.6	25.1	+ 1.7	- 4.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.0	36.1	37.0	- 0.3	- 2.7
Paper & Allied Products	15.8	15.9	16.4	- 0.6	- 3.7
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.9	8.0	8.3	- 1.2	- 4.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.6	4.8	5.1	- 4.2	- 9.8
Printing & Publishing	12.7	12.6	12.9	+ 0.8	- 1.6
Newspapers	3.1	3.1	3.3	0	- 6.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	21.8	21.9	25.2	- 0.5	-13.5
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	8.8	9.0	11.4	- 2.2	-22.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	19.2	19.5	21.0	- 1.5	- 8.6
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	5.1	5.3	5.0	- 3.8	+ 2.0

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

November, 1982

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. 1982	Oct. 1982	Nov. 1981	Nov. 1982	Oct. 1982	Nov. 1981	Nov. 1982	Oct. 1982	Nov. 1981
MANUFACTURING	$249.36	$246.02	$238.39	38.6	38.5	38.7	$ 6.46	$ 6.39	$ 6.16
DURABLE GOODS	256.13	251.84	248.96	38.4	38.1	38.9	6.67	6.61	6.40
Lumber & Wood Products	214.66	212.85	196.84	39.1	38.7	38.0	5.49	5.50	5.18
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	204.97	198.01	193.92	37.2	36.2	38.4	5.51	5.47	5.05
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	228.06	240.79	186.23	36.2	38.1	32.5	6.30	6.32	5.73
Furniture & Fixtures	208.15	207.43	202.02	36.2	36.2	37.0	5.75	5.73	5.46
Household Furniture	206.34	205.98	198.18	36.2	36.2	36.7	5.70	5.69	5.40
Wood Household Furniture	206.97	203.68	200.72	37.7	37.1	38.6	5.49	5.49	5.20
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	297.05	291.51	274.16	41.2	40.6	40.2	7.21	7.18	6.82
Structural Clay Products	230.57	225.03	208.57	41.1	40.4	38.2	5.61	5.57	5.46
Primary Metal Industries	300.44	287.73	282.69	40.6	39.2	40.5	7.40	7.34	6.98
Fabricated Metal Products	297.92	279.82	290.66	40.7	39.3	39.6	7.32	7.12	7.34
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	303.02	308.07	308.48	38.7	39.7	42.2	7.83	7.76	7.31
Special Industry Machinery	272.26	271.81	260.83	38.4	38.5	39.4	7.09	7.06	6.62
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	301.43	294.53	302.18	39.3	38.5	39.5	7.67	7.67	7.65
Household Appliances	245.50	235.76	211.82	41.4	40.3	34.0	5.93	5.85	6.23
Transportation Equipment	291.65	278.82	280.44	39.2	38.3	41.0	7.44	7.28	6.84
NONDURABLE GOODS	245.75	243.04	231.77	38.7	38.7	38.5	6.35	6.28	6.02
Food & Kindred Products	236.01	233.23	218.88	39.4	39.8	38.4	5.99	5.86	5.70
Meat Products	197.63	191.90	185.42	38.3	38.0	36.5	5.16	5.05	5.08
Meat Packing	347.16	328.53	323.83	44.0	42.5	44.3	7.89	7.73	7.31
Dairy Products	242.95	247.21	233.23	40.9	41.9	41.5	5.94	5.90	5.62
Grain Mill Products	293.74	291.15	259.89	45.4	45.0	43.1	6.47	6.47	6.03
Bakery Products	267.30	263.53	222.72	41.7	41.5	38.4	6.41	6.35	5.80
Beverages	428.11	414.96	363.04	43.2	42.2	40.7	9.91	9.81	8.92
Tobacco Manufacturers	416.23	385.82	360.68	38.9	40.4	38.7	10.70	9.55	9.32
Cigarettes	479.07	467.06	451.13	39.3	38.6	40.1	12.19	12.10	11.25
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	164.19	193.09	150.45	37.4	44.8	35.4	4.39	4.31	4.25
Textile Mill Products	222.72	219.65	216.93	38.6	38.4	38.6	5.77	5.72	5.62
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	243.13	240.09	244.59	38.9	38.6	39.9	6.25	6.22	6.13
Weaving Mills, Cotton	238.70	237.84	238.07	38.5	38.3	38.9	6.20	6.21	6.12
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	247.59	241.96	252.15	39.3	38.9	41.0	6.30	6.22	6.15
Knitting Mills	202.88	203.52	196.35	37.5	37.9	37.4	5.41	5.37	5.25
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	190.55	189.44	189.00	37.0	37.0	37.5	5.15	5.15	5.04
Hosiery, NEC	198.81	198.44	180.86	37.3	37.3	36.1	5.33	5.32	5.01
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	231.66	234.72	227.48	39.0	40.4	39.7	5.94	5.81	5.73
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	221.63	218.82	231.47	37.0	36.9	39.5	5.99	5.93	5.86
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	243.01	241.40	231.67	40.1	40.3	39.4	6.06	5.99	5.88
Yarn & Thread Mills	214.95	208.03	202.99	38.8	38.1	37.8	5.54	5.46	5.37
Apparel & Other Textile Products	173.33	171.76	166.62	36.8	36.7	36.7	4.71	4.68	4.54
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	172.20	165.20	162.03	35.8	35.3	35.3	4.81	4.68	4.59
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	165.26	167.35	161.62	36.4	36.7	36.9	4.34	4.56	4.38
Paper & Allied Products	443.27	441.81	403.25	43.5	43.4	43.5	10.19	10.18	9.27
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	536.81	550.24	480.77	45.3	46.2	45.1	11.85	11.91	10.66
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	294.27	283.27	269.84	41.8	40.7	41.9	7.04	6.96	6.44
Printing & Publishing	275.93	272.42	259.50	38.7	38.1	39.2	7.13	7.15	6.62
Newspapers	260.09	257.13	243.60	35.1	34.7	35.0	7.41	7.41	6.96
Chemicals & Allied Products	350.64	343.85	309.17	41.3	40.5	40.1	8.49	8.49	7.71
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	395.75	380.66	354.06	42.6	40.8	42.1	9.29	9.33	8.41
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	306.89	308.44	271.74	38.7	38.7	37.9	7.93	7.97	7.17
MINING	280.56	279.19	277.55	42.0	41.3	43.3	6.68	6.76	6.41
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	407.06	402.05	369.33	41.2	40.9	40.9	9.88	9.83	9.03
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	193.87	196.65	196.84	33.6	34.2	34.9	5.77	5.75	5.64
Wholesale Trade	263.53	263.70	248.46	39.1	39.3	39.5	6.74	6.71	6.29
Retail Trade	164.95	168.00	170.82	31.3	32.0	32.6	5.27	5.25	5.24
General Merchandise Stores	141.66	144.29	131.16	30.4	30.7	28.7	4.66	4.70	4.57
Variety Stores	2/	2/	108.01	2/	2/	28.2	2/	2/	3.83
Food Stores	184.32	183.28	181.96	31.4	31.6	31.7	5.87	5.80	5.74
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	123.85	125.42	117.11	29.7	31.2	29.8	4.17	4.02	3.93
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	166.26	164.97	155.98	35.3	35.1	36.1	4.71	4.70	4.32

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Information not available.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

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North Carolina
State Labor Summary
December, 1982

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT FALLS SLIGHTLY: Total employment in North Carolina was estimated to be 2,663,900 during the mid-week of December, 1982. That figure represented a net monthly decline of 6,500 people (-0.2 percent). Two of the three main employment categories experienced over-the-month decreases: agricultural employment fell seasonally by 9,400 (-17.0 percent), and "all other" nonagricultural employment was off by 2,500 (-0.9 percent). On the other hand, nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) enjoyed a modest gain of 5,400 (+0.2 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT REMAINS CONSTANT: From the middle of November, 1982, to the middle of December, 1982, the State's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) stayed the same at 763,300 workers. Employment in durable goods industries decreased by 300 over the month while employment in nondurable goods industries increased by 300 from mid-November to mid-December. In the durable goods sector, employment gains of 500 in machinery, except electrical, 300 in furniture and fixtures, and 100 in lumber and wood were more than offset by employment losses in other durable goods industry groups - led by electrical machinery, down 400, and stone, clay, and glass, down 200. Textile mill products enjoyed the largest increase in nondurable goods, rising by 1,100 workers (+0.5 percent) as employees who had been on temporary layoff were recalled. The largest worker loss among nondurable goods industries occurred in apparel and related products which dropped employment by 700 (-0.8 percent), mainly as the result of layoffs in the manufacture of women's and children's garments.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCHES FORWARD: Nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina was estimated to be 1,589,300 in the middle of December, 1982. That figure represented a net over-the-month rise of 2,800 workers (+0.2 percent). The nonmanufacturing industry group which experienced the largest increase was trade, up seasonally by 3,600 workers (+0.8 percent). Following was government employment with a modest gain of 1,100 (+0.3 percent), most of which occurred in state education. The construction industry sustained a seasonal loss of 1,000 workers (-1.0 percent).

BOTH MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING DECLINE OVER THE YEAR: Since December of 1981, manufacturing and nonmanufacturing employment in the State have both fallen. The over-the-year employment drop in manufacturing was 38,300 (-4.8 percent) as all of the industry groups but one suffered losses. Textile mill products continues to experience the largest over the year employment loss, with a drop of 12,900 workers (-5.5 percent). Overall, nonmanufacturing employment posted an almost negligible decline of 700 people with mixed trends being evident in the various industry groups.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT DECLINES CONSIDERABLY: During the mid-week of December, 1982, total unemployment in the State was estimated to be 262,700, a net monthly drop of 16,000 persons (-5.7 percent). As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment in North Carolina fell from 9.5 percent in November, 1982, to 9.0 percent in December, 1982. However, unemployment was much lower in December, 1981, when there were 196,800 jobless people and the rate was 6.8 percent.

The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.5 percent in December, 1982, 10.4 percent in November, and 8.3 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.8 percent in December, 1982, 10.7 percent in November, and 8.6 percent in December, 1981.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/
December, 1982

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	December 2/ 1982	November 3/ 1982	December 1981	November, 1982		December, 1981	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,926,600	2,949,100	2,901,800	-22,500	- 0.8	+24,800	+ 0.9
Employment, Total	2,663,900	2,670,400	2,705,000	- 6,500	- 0.2	-41,100	- 1.5
Agricultural Employment	46,000	55,400	49,500	- 9,400	-17.0	- 3,500	- 7.1
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,341,000	2,335,600	2,389,600	+ 5,400	+ 0.2	-48,600	- 2.0
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	276,900	279,400	265,900	- 2,500	- 0.9	+11,000	+ 4.1
Unemployment, Total	262,700	278,700	196,800	-16,000	- 5.7	+65,900	+33.5
State Unadjusted Rate	9.0	9.5	6.8	- 0.5	XXX	+ 2.2	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	10.5	10.4	8.3	+ 0.1	XXX	+ 2.2	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.8	10.7	8.6	+ 0.1	XXX	+ 2.0	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1981 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED BOTH INCREASE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers grew by 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) in December, 1982, to $6.52. That was an over-the-year gain of 32¢ an hour (+5.2 percent). The durable goods segment enjoyed a net monthly increase of 6¢ an hour (+0.9 percent) to reach $6.73 in December. Also, that was 26¢ an hour (+4.0 percent) more than one year ago. Primary metal industries was the durable goods group which registered the largest net over-the-month rise, jumping by 22¢ an hour (+3.0 percent) to hit $7.62. A close second was nonelectrical machinery, which exhibited a net monthly increase of 20¢ an hour (+2.6 percent) for a December, 1982, figure of $7.98. The nondurable goods segment climbed to $6.40 over the month, a surge of 7¢ an hour (+1.1 percent). Moreover, that was a net yearly increase of 36¢ an hour (+6.0 percent). The nondurable goods industry that experienced the largest net over-the-month growth was textile mill products, up by 10¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to $5.86 in December, 1982. Chemicals and allied products followed with a net monthly gain of 6¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to arrive at $8.54. In December, 1982, the average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees stood at $253.63. That figure represented an over-the-month increase of $4.01 (+1.6 percent) plus an over-the-year gain of $14.93 (+5.3 percent). Finally, average weekly hours rose by 0.2 of an hour in December, 1982, to 38.9, which was 0.4 of an hour above twelve months ago.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX CONTINUES TO FALL: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers dropped to 292.4 in December, 1982, according to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was the second month in a row in which a decline had taken place with prices falling by 0.4 percent from November to December, 1982. Over the year, an increase of just 3.9 percent was seen. Nevertheless, two of the main groups within the index did exhibit significant over-the-month increases: "other" goods and services, +1.0 percent, and medical care, +0.6 percent. The main category which enjoyed the largest decrease was apparel and upkeep, which fell by 0.9 percent. A very close second was the cost of housing, down by 0.8 percent over the month. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, was 34.2¢ in December, 1982.

The Bureau has released the Consumer Price Index annual average figure of 289.1 for calendar year 1982, which was up by 6.1 percent from the 1981 average index.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT EXPECTED TO STABILIZE SOMEWHAT: Not much change is anticipated in total employment in the State from mid-December, 1982, to mid-February, 1983. Agricultural employment should hit its seasonal low during this time. Trade employment may be off the first of the year, but that should be at least partially offset by modest increases in service and miscellaneous as the winter resorts prepare for their activity peak. North Carolina's total unemployment is also expected to remain fairly constant during the coming two months with a slight increase by January but improving by February.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECREASES: As of December 31, 1982, there were 185,165 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State. That figure represented an over-the-month decline of 16,357 people (-8.1 percent). The largest active applicant segment by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine with 113,794 or 61.5 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four year olds followed with 33,159 or 17.9 percent. Once again the smallest age group was fifty-five and over with just 11,482 or 6.2 percent of the total. Females comprised 46.8 percent of the total and numbered 86,657. Blacks (not including Hispanics) made up 35.4 percent of the total with a count of 65,548. The following table provides additional information from the North Carolina active applicant file as of December 31, 1982.

Statewide Active Applicant File
December 31, 1982

	Number	Percent
Total	185,165	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,730	14.4
22-39	113,794	61.5
40-54	33,159	17.9
55 and Over	11,482	6.2
Sex		
Male	98,508	53.2
Female	86,657	46.8
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	115,728	62.5
Black (not Hispanic)	65,548	35.4
Hispanic	741	0.4
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,222	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	926	0.5
Eligible Claimant	101,765	55.0
Veteran	31,361	16.9
Handicapped	11,730	6.3
Welfare	16,481	8.9
Seasonal Farmworker	2,178	1.2

JOB OPENINGS DROP FURTHER: During the month of December, 1982, there were 8,506 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. That was a net monthly decline of 3,584 (-29.6 percent). Most of those openings (7,086 or 83.3 percent) were filled. The occupational category which had the largest number of job openings received in December was service with 1,364. The majority of those openings was filled (1,159 or 85.0 percent). A close second was the clerical occupations category with 1,247 received and 964 or 77.3 percent filled. Farming, fisheries, and forestry was right behind in third place with 1,227 job openings received in December, all of which were filled. The fewest job openings received once again occurred in processing, where out of 182 received, 166 or 91.2 percent were filled. For the fiscal year to date (October 1, 1982, through December 31, 1982), 35,748 job openings have been received by the Job Service offices across the State. A good percentage of those were filled (30,587 or 85.6 percent). There were 5,469 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of December 31, 1982. The majority of those (3,512 or 64.2 percent) should be classified as hard-to-fill because they have remained open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on Statewide job openings in December, 1982, and for the fiscal year to date.

Statewide Job Openings Data

	December, 1982		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Dec. 31, 1982	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof. Tech., & Mgr.	547	248	1,799	888	794	528
Clerical	1,247	964	4,397	3,386	871	469
Sales	472	354	2,219	1,729	468	331
Service	1,364	1,159	5,483	4,502	816	501
Domestic	228	204	674	599	35	19
Other Services	1,136	955	4,809	3,903	781	482
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	1,227	1,231	8,234	8,158	51	37
Processing	182	166	1,098	995	254	215
Machine Trades	585	462	2,117	1,606	545	375
Bench Work	743	726	3,018	2,823	645	462
Structural Work	1,138	885	3,889	3,240	633	373
Miscellaneous	1,001	891	3,494	3,233	392	221
Motor Freight & Trans.	217	179	862	667	117	73
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	750	692	2,517	2,500	239	128
Other	34	20	115	66	36	20
Total	8,506	7,086	35,748	30,587	5,469	3,512

1/ October 1, 1982, through December 31, 1982.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1982

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1982 (Thous)	November 1982 (Thous)	December 1981 (Thous)	November 1982	December 1981
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,352.6	2,349.8	2,391.6	+ 0.1	- 1.6
MANUFACTURING	763.3	763.3	801.6	-0-	- 4.8
DURABLE GOODS	284.8	285.1	301.0	- 0.1	- 5.4
Lumber & Wood Products	33.1	33.0	33.7	+ 0.3	- 1.8
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.1	12.4	13.0	-0-	- 4.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.7	7.8	+ 1.3	-0-
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.0	2.9	3.0	+ 3.4	-0-
Furniture & Fixtures	81.4	81.1	82.4	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Household Furniture	73.0	72.5	73.5	+ 0.7	- 0.7
Wood Household Furniture	39.3	39.0	38.8	+ 0.8	+ 1.3
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.3	28.1	29.2	+ 0.7	- 3.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.8	16.0	17.3	- 1.3	- 8.7
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.8	1.8	-0-	-0-
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.6	4.6	-0-	-0-
Primary Metal Industries	7.5	7.6	8.6	- 1.3	-12.8
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	23.4	25.8	- 1.3	-10.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	10.1	10.2	10.6	- 1.0	- 4.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.2	48.7	50.2	+ 1.0	- 2.0
Special Industry Machinery	6.7	6.5	7.9	+ 3.1	-15.2
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	48.5	48.9	54.1	- 0.8	-10.4
Household Appliances	4.9	5.3	5.0	- 7.5	- 2.0
Transportation Equipment	13.4	13.5	14.7	- 0.7	- 8.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	12.8	12.9	14.2	- 0.8	- 9.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	478.5	478.2	500.6	+ 0.06	- 4.4
Food & Kindred Products	42.3	42.6	43.1	- 0.7	- 1.9
Meat Products	15.9	16.1	16.2	- 1.2	- 1.9
Meat Packing Plants	2.5	2.5	2.5	-0-	-0-
Dairy Products	3.1	3.1	3.1	-0-	-0-
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	-0-	-0-
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	8.0	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.5	6.6	6.8	- 1.5	- 4.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.7	24.8	25.5	- 0.4	- 3.1
Cigarettes	19.9	19.9	20.0	+ 1.0	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.3	4.5	4.9	- 4.4	-12.2
Textile Mill Products	220.1	219.0	233.0	+ 0.5	- 5.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.1	62.4	69.8	+ 1.1	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.0	33.0	37.3	-0-	-11.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.8	29.1	32.3	+ 2.4	- 7.7
Knitting Mills	72.9	72.7	75.9	+ 0.3	- 4.0
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.5	20.5	20.6	-0-	- 0.5
Hosiery, NEC	20.8	21.2	22.1	- 1.9	- 5.9
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.6	14.5	14.9	+ 0.7	- 2.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.7	5.2	6.8	+ 9.6	-16.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.5	15.4	15.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.8	55.7	57.7	+ 0.2	- 3.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1982

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1982 (Thous)	November 1982 (Thous)	December 1981 (Thous)	November 1982	December 1981
Apparel & Other Textile Products	84.6	85.3	86.9	- 0.8	- 2.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	25.3	25.7	26.6	- 1.6	- 4.9
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.3	41.8	42.2	- 1.2	- 2.1
Paper & Allied Products	21.1	20.8	21.3	+ 1.4	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	10.8	11.2	+ 1.9	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.1	6.1	6.4	-0-	- 4.7
Printing & Publishing	21.4	21.0	21.4	+ 1.9	-0-
Newspapers	8.4	8.3	8.5	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	34.1	34.1	37.5	-0-	- 9.1
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.4	13.2	15.9	+ 1.5	-15.7
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.6	24.6	26.1	-0-	- 5.7
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	6.0	5.8	- 6.7	- 3.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,589.3	1,586.5	1,590.0	+ 0.2	- 0.04
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.6	-0-	-0-
CONSTRUCTION	103.2	104.2	112.9	- 1.0	- 8.6
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	116.0	116.2	117.6	- 0.2	- 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	56.2	56.6	57.6	- 0.7	- 2.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.2	54.1	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	478.2	474.6	483.7	+ 0.8	- 1.1
Wholesale Trade	118.3	120.6	121.2	- 1.9	- 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	69.8	69.8	71.5	-0-	- 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	48.5	50.8	49.7	- 4.5	- 2.4
Retail Trade	359.9	354.0	362.5	+ 1.7	- 0.8
General Merchandise Stores	59.2	55.3	59.1	+ 7.1	+ 0.2
Variety Stores	14.9	14.1	14.5	+ 5.7	+ 2.8
Food Stores	56.4	56.3	56.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.2	99.2	98.1	-0-	+ 1.1
SERVICES	362.7	363.4	352.8	- 0.2	+ 2.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	19.4	20.1	18.5	- 3.5	+ 4.9
Personal Services	22.1	22.2	22.5	- 0.5	- 1.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	-0-	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	425.4	424.3	420.3	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
Federal	49.3	49.0	47.9	+ 0.6	+ 2.9
State	129.7	128.5	125.0	+ 0.9	+ 3.8
Education	69.5	68.4	64.5	+ 1.6	+ 7.8
Other	60.2	60.1	60.5	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Local	246.4	246.8	247.4	- 0.2	- 0.4
Education	143.9	143.9	144.2	-0-	- 0.2
Other	102.4	102.9	103.2	- 0.5	- 0.8

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1982
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1982 (Thous.)	November 1982 (Thous.)	December 1981 (Thous.)	November 1982	December 1981
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,335.1	2,326.5	2,373.5	+ 0.4	- 1.6
MANUFACTURING	761.4	757.9	799.6	+ 0.5	- 4.8
DURABLE GOODS	283.5	283.2	299.7	+ 0.2	- 5.4
Lumber & Wood Products	33.3	32.9	33.9	+ 1.2	- 1.8
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.4	12.4	13.0	0	- 4.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	7.7	7.9	+ 2.6	0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.1	2.9	3.5	+ 6.9	- 11.4
Furniture & Fixtures	80.4	80.1	81.4	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Household Furniture	72.1	71.5	72.5	+ 0.8	- 0.6
Wood Household Furniture	38.6	38.4	38.2	+ 0.5	+ 1.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.2	28.1	29.1	+ 0.4	- 3.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.9	16.0	17.5	- 0.6	- 9.1
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.8	1.8	0	0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	7.5	7.6	8.6	- 1.3	- 12.8
Fabricated Metal Products	22.7	23.1	25.4	- 1.7	- 10.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.9	10.0	10.4	- 1.0	- 4.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	48.9	48.5	49.8	+ 0.8	- 1.8
Special Industry Machinery	6.7	6.5	7.9	+ 3.1	- 15.2
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	48.4	48.5	54.0	- 0.2	- 10.4
Household Appliances	4.8	4.9	4.9	- 2.0	- 2.0
Transportation Equipment	13.6	13.7	14.9	- 0.7	- 8.7
Other Durable Goods 2/	12.8	12.8	14.2	0	- 9.9
NONDURABLE GOODS	477.9	474.7	499.9	+ 0.7	- 4.4
Food & Kindred Products	42.3	42.3	43.1	0	- 1.9
Meat Products	15.9	16.0	16.2	- 0.6	- 1.9
Meat Packing Plants	2.4	2.5	2.4	- 4.0	0
Dairy Products	3.2	3.1	3.2	3.2	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.0	8.0	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Beverages	6.6	6.7	6.9	- 1.5	- 4.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.4	22.3	25.1	+ 9.4	- 2.8
Cigarettes	19.9	19.9	20.0	0	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.0	2.9	4.6	+ 37.9	- 13.0
Textile Mill Products	219.9	218.8	232.7	+ 0.5	- 5.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.2	62.3	69.9	+ 1.4	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.0	33.0	37.2	0	- 11.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.9	29.0	32.4	3.1	- 7.7
Knitting Mills	73.3	72.9	76.2	0.5	- 3.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.4	20.5	20.5	- 0.5	- 0.5
Hosiery, NEC	21.0	21.2	22.3	- 0.9	- 5.8
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.6	14.6	14.9	0	- 2.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.3	6.9	+ 9.4	- 15.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.4	15.4	15.2	0	+ 1.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.5	55.6	57.4	- 0.2	- 3.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1982
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1982 (Thous.)	November 1982 (Thous.)	December 1981 (Thous.)	November 1982	December 1981
Apparel & Other Textile Products	84.9	84.8	87.3	+ 0.1	- 2.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	25.4	25.5	26.7	- 0.4	- 4.9
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.8	41.8	42.7	0	- 2.1
Paper & Allied Products	20.9	20.8	21.1	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	10.8	11.1	+ 0.9	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.1	6.1	6.4	0	- 4.7
Printing & Publishing	21.1	20.9	21.1	+ 1.0	0
Newspapers	8.3	8.3	8.4	0	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	34.3	34.2	37.7	+ 0.3	- 9.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.4	13.2	15.9	+ 1.5	- 15.7
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.5	24.6	26.0	- 0.4	- 5.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	6.0	5.8	- 6.7	- 3.4
NONMANUFACTURING	1,573.7	1,568.6	1,573.9	+ 0.3	*
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.6	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	103.3	102.9	113.1	+ 0.4	- 8.7
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	116.2	115.7	117.8	+ 0.4	- 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	56.0	55.8	57.3	+ 0.4	- 2.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.7	54.5	54.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	465.3	467.5	470.6	- 0.5	- 1.1
Wholesale Trade	118.9	119.4	121.8	- 0.4	- 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	70.0	69.9	71.7	+ 0.1	- 2.4
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	48.9	49.5	50.1	- 1.2	- 2.4
Retail Trade	346.4	348.1	348.8	- 0.5	- 0.7
General Merchandise Stores	51.7	52.2	51.6	- 1.0	+ 0.2
Variety Stores	13.3	13.4	12.9	- 0.7	+ 3.1
Food Stores	55.7	55.9	55.2	- 0.4	+ 0.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.6	99.6	98.4	0	+ 1.2
SERVICES	368.2	366.0	358.0	+ 0.6	+ 2.8
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.5	20.9	20.5	+ 2.9	+ 4.9
Personal Services	22.4	22.6	22.8	- 0.9	- 1.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.8	9.9	9.9	- 1.0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	416.5	412.3	411.4	+ 1.0	+ 1.2
Federal	50.0	49.6	48.6	+ 0.8	+ 2.9
State	125.7	122.5	121.1	+ 2.6	+ 3.8
Education	64.3	61.8	59.6	+ 4.0	+ 7.9
Other	61.4	60.7	61.5	+ 1.2	- 0.2
Local	240.8	240.2	241.7	+ 0.2	- 0.1
Education	136.9	136.5	137.1	+ 0.3	- 0.1
Other	103.9	103.7	104.6	+ 0.2	- 0.7

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

December, 1982

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	December 1982	November 1982	December 1981	November 1982	December 1981
MANUFACTURING	608.0	608.1	644.7	*	- 5.7
DURABLE GOODS	214.7	215.3	230.7	- 0.3	- 6.9
Lumber & Wood Products	29.1	29.0	29.8	+ 0.3	- 2.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.8	6.8	6.8	0	0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.6	2.4	2.4	+ 8.3	+ 8.3
Furniture & Fixtures	71.8	71.5	72.6	+ 0.4	- 1.1
Household Furniture	65.2	64.6	65.3	+ 0.9	- 0.2
Wood Household Furniture	35.7	35.4	35.2	+ 0.8	+ 1.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.5	12.7	13.9	- 1.6	-10.1
Structural Clay Products	1.3	1.3	1.3	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	5.5	5.6	6.5	- 1.8	-15.4
Fabricated Metal Products	16.8	17.0	18.7	- 1.2	-10.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.5	25.3	28.1	+ 0.8	- 9.3
Special Industry Machinery	4.5	4.3	5.5	+ 4.7	-18.2
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	33.5	33.9	38.6	- 1.2	-13.2
Household Appliances	4.3	4.7	4.4	- 8.5	- 2.3
Transportation Equipment	10.5	10.6	11.7	- 0.9	-10.3
NONDURABLE GOODS	393.3	392.8	414.0	+ 0.1	- 5.0
Food & Kindred Products	28.1	28.3	29.0	- 0.7	- 3.1
Meat Products	13.6	13.7	13.9	- 0.7	- 2.2
Meat Packing	1.9	1.8	1.8	+ 5.6	+ 5.6
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.6	4.5	4.5	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
Beverages	2.3	2.3	2.6	0	-11.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.1	20.2	21.0	- 0.5	- 4.3
Cigarettes	16.0	15.9	16.4	+ 0.6	- 2.4
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.5	3.8	4.1	- 7.9	-14.6
Textile Mill Products	195.3	194.2	207.6	+ 0.6	- 5.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	56.0	55.3	62.6	+ 1.3	-10.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.3	29.3	33.6	0	-12.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.6	25.9	28.8	+ 2.7	- 7.6
Knitting Mills	63.8	63.7	66.6	+ 0.2	- 4.2
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	18.0	18.0	18.1	0	- 0.6
Hosiery, NEC	19.2	19.6	20.3	- 2.0	- 5.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.4	12.3	12.6	+ 0.8	- 1.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.8	4.3	5.9	+11.6	-18.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.2	13.0	12.9	+ 1.5	+ 2.3
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.4	51.3	53.3	+ 0.2	- 3.6
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.6	75.3	76.9	- 0.9	- 3.0
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.6	24.0	24.9	- 1.7	- 5.2
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.5	36.0	36.4	- 1.4	- 2.5
Paper & Allied Products	15.9	15.8	16.3	+ 0.6	- 2.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	7.9	8.3	+ 1.3	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.7	4.7	5.0	0	- 6.0
Printing & Publishing	13.1	12.7	13.0	+ 3.1	+ 0.8
Newspapers	3.3	3.1	3.3	+ 6.5	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	22.0	21.9	24.5	+ 0.5	-10.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.0	8.8	10.9	+ 2.3	-17.4
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	19.4	19.3	20.6	+ 0.5	- 5.8
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.8	5.1	5.1	- 5.9	- 5.9

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

*Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

December, 1982

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	December 1982	November 1982	December 1981	December 1982	November 1982	December 1981	December 1982	November 1982	December 1981
MANUFACTURING	$253.63	$249.62	$238.70	38.9	38.7	38.5	$ 6.52	$ 6.45	$ 6.20
DURABLE GOODS	263.82	256.80	255.57	39.2	38.5	39.5	6.73	6.67	6.47
Lumber & Wood Products	219.14	214.82	201.11	39.7	39.2	38.9	5.52	5.48	5.17
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	212.69	205.52	198.40	38.6	37.3	38.6	5.51	5.51	5.14
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	226.19	227.91	176.47	36.6	36.7	33.7	6.18	6.21	5.83
Furniture & Fixtures	214.60	211.55	206.63	37.0	36.6	37.5	5.80	5.78	5.51
Household Furniture	210.29	208.42	204.03	36.7	36.5	37.3	5.73	5.71	5.47
Wood Household Furniture	204.24	208.66	202.51	37.0	37.8	38.5	5.52	5.52	5.26
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	290.97	293.54	267.24	40.3	40.6	39.3	7.22	7.23	6.80
Structural Clay Products	232.97	230.57	211.69	40.8	41.1	38.7	5.71	5.61	5.47
Primary Metal Industries	317.75	301.18	287.24	41.7	40.7	40.4	7.62	7.40	7.11
Fabricated Metal Products	301.17	295.65	289.30	41.2	40.5	39.2	7.31	7.30	7.38
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	327.98	304.20	308.70	41.1	39.1	42.0	7.98	7.78	7.35
Special Industry Machinery	280.06	274.12	263.08	39.5	38.5	39.8	7.09	7.12	6.61
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	309.68	304.18	324.31	39.4	39.3	41.9	7.86	7.74	7.74
Household Appliances	232.32	245.50	227.71	38.4	41.4	38.4	6.05	5.93	5.93
Transportation Equipment	310.16	290.16	275.93	41.3	39.0	40.4	7.51	7.44	6.83
NONDURABLE GOODS	247.68	245.60	229.52	38.7	38.8	38.0	6.40	6.33	6.04
Food & Kindred Products	237.79	235.61	228.49	39.5	39.4	39.6	6.02	5.98	5.77
Meat Products	193.88	197.63	198.53	37.5	38.3	38.7	5.17	5.16	5.13
Meat Packing	341.00	347.16	332.10	44.0	44.0	45.0	7.75	7.89	7.38
Dairy Products	265.96	250.43	242.10	43.6	41.6	42.4	6.10	6.02	5.71
Grain Mill Products	284.55	288.00	268.32	44.6	45.0	43.7	6.38	6.40	6.14
Bakery Products	272.39	269.44	228.89	43.1	42.1	39.6	6.32	6.40	5.78
Beverages	446.86	426.56	364.10	44.2	43.0	40.5	10.11	9.92	8.99
Tobacco Manufacturers	406.22	416.23	359.46	38.0	38.9	37.6	10.69	10.70	9.56
Cigarettes	460.42	479.07	405.08	38.4	39.3	37.3	11.99	12.19	10.86
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	175.45	164.19	178.18	36.4	37.4	38.4	4.82	4.39	4.64
Textile Mill Products	226.78	223.49	208.13	38.7	38.8	37.3	5.86	5.76	5.58
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	254.80	245.86	225.06	39.2	39.4	37.2	6.50	6.24	6.05
Weaving Mills, Cotton	261.49	245.46	221.67	39.5	39.4	36.7	6.62	6.23	6.04
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	247.40	245.23	229.45	38.9	39.3	37.8	6.36	6.24	6.07
Knitting Mills	205.47	203.96	189.69	37.7	37.7	36.2	5.45	5.41	5.24
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	198.78	192.24	191.52	38.3	37.4	38.0	5.19	5.14	5.04
Hosiery, NEC	183.54	197.95	165.83	34.5	37.0	33.1	5.32	5.35	5.01
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	244.82	234.04	214.14	40.6	39.6	37.9	6.03	5.91	5.65
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	242.20	222.23	229.71	40.1	37.1	39.2	6.04	5.99	5.86
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	237.98	248.88	228.14	39.4	40.8	38.8	6.04	6.10	5.88
Yarn & Thread Mills	215.00	214.01	201.54	38.6	38.7	37.6	5.57	5.53	5.36
Apparel & Other Textile Products	176.23	175.58	165.26	37.1	37.2	36.4	4.75	4.72	4.54
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	174.36	175.68	163.25	36.4	36.6	35.8	4.79	4.80	4.56
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	167.63	168.09	157.60	36.6	36.7	35.9	4.58	4.58	4.39
Paper & Allied Products	427.06	435.01	404.78	42.2	42.9	43.2	10.12	10.14	9.37
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	521.56	536.81	482.50	44.2	45.3	44.8	11.80	11.85	10.77
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	294.58	296.90	270.76	41.2	41.7	41.4	7.15	7.12	6.54
Printing & Publishing	278.07	271.93	267.73	39.0	38.3	39.9	7.13	7.10	6.71
Newspapers	255.88	258.26	249.22	34.3	34.9	35.4	7.46	7.40	7.04
Chemicals & Allied Products	340.75	343.44	319.87	39.9	40.5	40.8	8.54	8.48	7.84
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	384.74	392.60	368.49	40.8	41.9	42.6	9.43	9.37	8.65
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	314.82	304.94	287.50	39.7	38.6	39.6	7.93	7.90	7.26
MINING	285.11	280.06	266.88	41.5	41.8	41.7	6.87	6.70	6.40
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	423.94	406.96	370.87	41.4	41.4	40.4	10.24	9.83	9.18
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.18	194.11	197.05	34.0	33.7	35.0	5.77	5.76	5.63
Wholesale Trade	267.13	262.86	250.58	39.4	39.0	39.4	6.78	6.74	6.36
Retail Trade	168.11	165.69	172.59	31.9	31.5	33.0	5.27	5.26	5.23
General Merchandise Stores	156.09	141.36	136.78	33.0	30.4	29.8	4.73	4.65	4.59
Variety Stores	2/	2/	104.53	2/	2/	27.8	2/	2/	3.76
Food Stores	188.80	184.59	183.29	32.0	31.5	32.1	5.90	5.86	5.71
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	120.51	121.18	117.60	28.9	29.7	29.4	4.17	4.08	4.00
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	169.34	165.55	159.67	35.5	35.0	35.8	4.77	4.73	4.46

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Information not available.

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
January, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT DROPS SHARPLY: During the middle of January, 1983, the State's total employment was estimated to be 2,602,600. That was a net over-the-month decrease of 62,700 persons (-2.4 percent). All three of the principal employment segments sustained monthly losses. Agriculture hit its seasonal low of 42,800 workers this January with the reduction of 3,200 people (-7.0 percent). Also, "all other" nonagriculture fell by 7,900 (-2.9 percent) to 269,200. Finally, nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) suffered a rather large loss of 51,600 workers (-2.2 percent) to decline to a January, 1983, level of 2,290,600.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) fell by 4,300 people (-0.6 percent) to 766,000 from mid-December, 1982, to mid-January, 1983. The durable goods segment accounted for 2,900 (67.4 percent) of that drop with all of its industries except one sustaining losses. Electrical machinery experienced the largest net monthly decrease in durable goods as a post-Christmas seasonal cutback of 1,200 occurred (-2.4 percent). The only gain in durable goods was a modest one of 200 (+1.4 percent) in transportation equipment. The nondurable goods segment registered a loss of 1,400 over the month as most of its industries either remained stable or lost workers. The nondurable goods industry that recorded the largest net over-the-month decrease was textile mill products, down by 1,800 people (-0.8 percent) due partly to layoffs. Apparel and related products was the leading gainer in nondurable goods, up by 900 (+1.1 percent) over the month due in part to recalls.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT DECREASES NOTICEABLY: In the middle of January, 1983, Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,545,600. That was a net monthly drop of 36,500 persons (-2.3 percent) as all of the industry groups except one displayed losses. The major employment reductions were seasonal in nature: trade, -16,700; government, -8,300; construction, -6,400; and service and miscellaneous, -2,900. The only nonmanufacturing industry which did not decline was mining, remaining constant at 4,500 workers.

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP SINCE LAST YEAR: North Carolina's manufacturing employment has declined by 30,000 people (-3.8 percent) since January, 1982. The vast majority of the manufacturing industries suffered losses, with the following being the greatest: textile mill products, -10,000; electrical machinery, -5,100; fabricated metals, -3,400; and chemicals and allied, -3,100. On the other hand, nonmanufacturing employment enjoyed modest growth of 9,900 workers (+0.6 percent) over the year. That was mainly due to strong gains in two industries: service and miscellaneous, +11,500; and government, +4,200.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT RISES NOTICEABLY: North Carolina's total unemployment was estimated to be 288,800 during the middle of January of this year. That figure represented a net over-the-month jump of 27,600 people (+10.6 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment increased from 8.9 percent in December, 1982, to 10.0 percent in January, 1983. One year ago, though, the unemployment situation was somewhat better with 253,000 persons out of work and a rate of 8.8 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 11.4 percent in January, 1983, 10.4 percent in December, 1982, and 9.3 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.4 percent this January, 10.7 percent in December, and 8.4 percent in January of last year.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/
January, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	January 2/ 1983	December 1982	January 1982	December, 1982		January, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,891,400	2,926,500	2,878,100	- 35,100	- 1.2	+ 13,300	+ 0.5
Employment, Total	2,602,600	2,665,300	2,625,100	- 62,700	- 2.4	- 22,500	- 0.9
Agricultural Employment	42,800	46,000	46,000	- 3,200	- 7.0	- 3,200	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,290,600	2,342,200	2,322,500	- 51,600	- 2.2	- 31,900	- 1.4
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	269,200	277,100	256,600	- 7,900	- 2.9	+ 12,600	+ 4.9
Unemployment, Total	288,800	261,200	253,000	+ 27,600	+ 10.6	+ 35,800	+ 14.2
State Unadjusted Rate	10.0	8.9	8.8	+ 1.1	xxx	+ 1.2	xxx
National Rate (Unadjusted)	11.4	10.4	9.3	+ 1.0	xxx	+ 2.1	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.4	10.7	8.4	- 0.3	xxx	+ 2.0	xxx

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS UP WHILE HOURS WORKED DOWN: From mid-December, 1982, to mid-January, 1983, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees edged upward by 1¢ an hour (+0.2 percent) to $6.56. Also, that figure represented a net yearly increase of 20¢ an hour (+3.1 percent). The durable goods sector suffered a net over-the-month loss of 4¢ an hour (-0.6 percent) to fall to $6.73 in January of this year. Compared to twelve months ago, however, that was a gain of 18¢ an hour (+2.7 percent). The durable goods industry that enjoyed the largest net monthly increase was lumber and wood, up by 6¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to reach $5.57. Stone, clay, and glass followed with a net over-the-month rise of just 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to hit $7.18 in January, 1983. The nondurable goods sector experienced a good net monthly increase of 5¢ an hour (+0.8 percent) to arrive at $6.48 this January. In addition, that was a modest net over-the-year gain of 23¢ an hour (+3.7 percent). Tobacco manufacturing was the nondurable goods industry which exhibited the largest net monthly jump, climbing by 15¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to $10.83. A close second was apparel and related products, surging by 12¢ an hour (+2.5 percent) for a January, 1983, figure of $4.86. North Carolina's manufacturing production workers had average weekly earnings of $251.25 in January of this year. Although that figure represented a net monthly decline of $3.55 (-1.4 percent), it was $56.63 (+29.1 percent) more than January, 1982. In January of this year, average weekly hours stood at 38.3, down by 0.6 of an hour over the month but up by 7.7 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP OVER THE MONTH: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index (cost of living) for all urban consumers rose to 293.1 in January, 1983. That figure represented a monthly increase of 0.2 percent and a yearly gain of only 3.8 percent. The major category experiencing the largest monthly jump was "other" goods and services, up by 1.2 percent. The cost of medical care was a close second, rising by 1.0 percent over the month. However, two of the main groups did register declines from December, 1982, to January, 1983. Those were apparel and upkeep (-1.3 percent) and transportation (-0.6 percent). Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100 in 1967, the base year, cost $293.10 in January, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT WILL PROBABLY RISE: From the middle of January, 1983, to the middle of March, 1983, North Carolina's total employment is expected to increase a little. One of the contributing factors should be the beginning of the seasonal growth in agriculture, which may climb by about 7,000 workers during that two-month period. Also, as the weather improves, construction employment will probably increase. Unfortunately, total unemployment in the State may also rise somewhat from January to March of this year; therefore, no decline in the rate is anticipated.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS INCREASES: There were 187,763 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina at the end of January, 1983. That was a net monthly gain of 2,598 persons (+1.4 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine year olds were by far the largest active applicant group by age with 116,343 or 62.0 percent of the total. A distant second was the forty to fifty-four age segment with 33,877 or 18.0 percent. The fifty-five and over age group had, as expected, the fewest applicants with only 11,782 or 6.3 percent of the total. Female applicants numbered 86,616 and made up 46.1 percent of the total. Blacks (not including Hispanics) comprised 34.8 percent of the total with a figure of 65,431. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of January 31, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE
January 31, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	187,763	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	25,761	13.7
22-39	116,343	62.0
40-54	33,877	18.0
55 and Over	11,782	6.3
Sex		
Male	101,147	53.9
Female	86,616	46.1
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	118,409	63.1
Black (not Hispanic)	65,431	34.8
Hispanic	617	0.3
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,269	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,037	0.6
Eligible Claimant	101,951	54.3
Veteran	32,354	17.2
Handicapped	11,923	6.4
Welfare	16,652	8.9
Seasonal Farmworker	1,393	0.7

JOB OPENINGS RISE OVER THE MONTH: There were 9,422 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during the month of January, 1983. That figure represented a net over-the-month increase of 916 (+10.8 percent). The majority of those openings was filled (7,302 or 77.5 percent). Service occupations had the largest number of job openings received this January with 1,791. Most of those openings (1,420 or 79.3 percent) were filled. Following that were clerical openings with 1,552 received and 1,081 or 69.7 percent filled. The third largest number of job openings occurred in bench work with 1,168 received and 993 or 85.0 percent filled. Again in January, processing had the fewest job openings received with just 389. The vast majority of those was filled (373 or 95.9 percent). From October 1, 1982, through January 31, 1983, there have been 45,170 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Most of those were filled (37,862 or 83.8 percent). As of January 31, 1983, there were 5,494 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. Most of those (3,111 or 56.6 percent) have remained open for thirty days or more and should therefore be classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on North Carolina's job openings in January, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	January, 1983		Fiscal Year To Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As Of Jan. 31, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	550	249	2,349	1,137	750	463
Clerical	1,552	1,081	5,949	4,467	903	441
Sales	450	225	2,669	1,954	523	321
Service	1,791	1,420	7,274	5,922	867	505
Domestic	165	148	839	747	27	20
Other Services	1,626	1,272	6,435	5,175	840	485
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	651	645	8,885	8,803	64	19
Processing	389	373	1,487	1,368	245	198
Machine Trades	731	556	2,848	2,162	502	251
Bench Work	1,168	993	4,186	3,316	625	352
Structural Work	1,103	887	4,992	4,127	610	344
Miscellaneous	1,037	873	4,531	4,106	405	217
Motor Freight & Trans.	252	133	1,114	850	117	49
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	717	651	3,234	3,151	242	149
Other	68	39	183	105	46	19
Total	9,422	7,302	45,170	37,862	5,494	3,111

1/ October 1, 1982, through January 31, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1983 (Thous.)	December 1982 (Thous.)	January 1982 (Thous.)	December 1982	January 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2311.6	2352.4	2331.7	- 1.7	- 0.9
MANUFACTURING	766.0	770.3	796.0	- 0.6	- 3.8
DURABLE GOODS	285.1	288.0	301.1	- 1.0	- 5.3
Lumber & Wood Products	31.1	31.3	30.5	- 0.6	+ 2.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.5	11.5	11.6	0	- 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.2	0	+ 5.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.1	3.2	3.0	- 3.1	+ 3.3
Furniture & Fixtures	79.5	79.9	81.9	- 0.5	- 2.9
Household Furniture	71.1	71.3	72.9	- 0.3	- 2.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.4	37.5	38.5	- 0.3	- 2.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.0	29.0	29.7	0	- 2.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.2	15.4	16.6	- 1.3	- 8.4
Structural Clay Products	1.7	1.8	1.6	- 5.6	+ 6.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.2	4.2	4.2	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	8.1	8.9	- 1.2	- 10.1
Fabricated Metal Products	23.2	23.7	26.6	- 2.1	- 12.8
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.7	10.0	10.4	- 3.0	- 6.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.6	50.2	51.1	- 1.2	- 2.9
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.6	7.8	- 1.5	- 16.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.7	50.9	54.8	- 2.4	- 9.3
Household Appliances	3.9	5.1	4.4	- 23.5	- 11.4
Transportation Equipment	14.8	14.6	15.9	+ 1.4	- 6.9
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.0	13.9	14.8	+ 0.7	- 5.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	480.9	482.3	494.9	- 0.3	- 2.8
Food & Kindred Products	41.8	42.5	41.9	- 1.6	- 0.2
Meat Products	16.6	16.7	16.4	- 0.6	+ 1.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.8	2.8	- 3.6	- 3.6
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.8	7.9	7.7	- 1.3	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.7	0	- 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.9	24.7	25.2	+ 0.8	- 1.2
Cigarettes	19.9	19.9	19.9	0	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.2	4.2	4.5	0	- 6.7
Textile Mill Products	217.7	219.5	227.7	- 0.8	- 4.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.9	64.2	69.4	- 0.5	- 7.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.1	34.1	37.0	0	- 7.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.5	29.9	32.2	- 1.3	- 8.4
Knitting Mills	72.0	72.6	73.4	- 0.8	- 1.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.6	21.7	21.2	- 0.5	+ 1.9
Hosiery, NEC	20.5	20.7	21.5	- 1.0	- 4.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.9	15.0	14.7	- 0.7	+ 1.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	6.0	6.8	- 1.7	- 13.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.5	14.8	14.3	- 2.0	+ 1.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	54.6	55.1	57.0	- 0.9	- 4.2

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January, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1983 (Thous.)	December 1982 (Thous.)	January 1982 (Thous.)	December 1982	January 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.3	85.4	85.7	+ 1.1	+ 0.7
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.2	26.7	27.5	+ 1.9	- 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.6	41.3	41.3	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
Paper & Allied Products	21.9	21.9	22.0	0	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	11.0	11.1	0	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.2	6.3	6.5	- 1.6	- 4.6
Printing & Publishing	21.6	21.6	21.5	0	+ 0.5
Newspapers	8.4	8.4	8.5	0	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.7	35.6	38.8	+ 0.3	- 8.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.6	15.9	- 0.7	- 15.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.2	25.3	26.3	- 0.4	- 4.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.8	5.8	5.8	0	0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,545.6	1,582.1	1,535.7	- 2.3	+ 0.6
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	96.1	102.5	98.8	- 6.2	- 2.7
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.5	115.4	115.2	- 1.6	- 1.5
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	53.9	55.8	55.1	- 3.4	- 2.2
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.2	54.4	- 0.2	- 0.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	470.9	487.6	473.1	- 3.4	- 0.5
Wholesale Trade	123.6	124.8	125.1	- 1.0	- 1.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	71.4	71.8	73.0	- 0.6	- 2.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.2	53.0	52.1	- 1.5	+ 0.2
Retail Trade	347.3	362.8	348.0	- 4.3	- 0.2
General Merchandise Stores	53.6	59.2	54.0	- 9.5	- 0.7
Variety Stores	12.9	13.7	12.3	- 5.8	+ 4.9
Food Stores	57.8	58.6	57.3	- 1.4	+ 0.9
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	97.6	97.9	96.8	- 0.3	+ 0.8
SERVICES	358.8	361.7	347.3	- 0.8	+ 3.3
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	18.3	19.0	16.9	- 3.7	+ 8.3
Personal Services	24.3	22.5	24.4	+ 8.0	- 0.4
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.0	10.1	9.9	- 1.0	+ 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	404.2	412.5	400.0	- 2.0	+ 1.1
Federal	48.9	49.0	48.0	- 0.2	+ 1.9
State	118.1	125.9	114.9	- 6.2	+ 2.8
Education	60.5	68.4	57.4	- 11.5	+ 5.4
Other	57.6	57.5	57.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
Local	237.2	237.6	237.1	- 0.2	+ 0.04
Education	136.5	137.0	136.1	- 0.4	+ 0.3
Other	100.7	100.6	101.0	+ 0.1	- 0.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1983 (thous)	December 1982 (thous)	January 1982 (thous)	December 1982	January 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2337.3	2335.5	2316.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.9
MANUFACTURING	769.3	768.5	795.1	+ 0.1	- 3.2
DURABLE GOODS	285.5	286.8	300.8	- 0.5	- 5.1
Lumber & Wood Products	31.6	31.5	31.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.9
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.8	11.5	11.9	+ 2.6	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.7	7.2	- 1.3	+ 5.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.2	3.3	3.1	- 3.0	+ 3.2
Furniture & Fixtures	78.8	79.0	81.2	- 0.3	- 3.0
Household Furniture	70.4	70.4	72.2	0	- 2.5
Wood Household Furniture	37.0	36.9	38.1	+ 0.3	- 2.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.1	28.9	29.8	+ 0.7	- 2.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.4	15.5	16.9	- 0.6	- 8.9
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.8	1.7	0	+ 5.9
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.2	4.4	+ 4.8	0
Primary Metal Industries	8.0	8.1	8.9	- 1.2	-10.1
Fabricated Metal Products	23.2	23.3	26.5	- 0.4	-12.5
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.7	9.8	10.4	- 1.0	- 6.7
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.6	49.9	50.7	- 0.6	- 2.2
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.6	7.8	- 1.5	-16.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.9	50.8	54.7	- 1.8	- 8.8
Household Appliances	4.1	5.0	4.3	-18.0	- 4.7
Transportation Equipment	14.9	14.8	16.1	+ 0.7	- 7.5
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.1	13.9	14.8	+ 1.4	- 4.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	483.8	481.7	494.3	+ 0.4	- 2.1
Food & Kindred Products	42.8	42.5	41.9	+ 0.7	+ 2.1
Meat Products	16.8	16.7	16.4	+ 0.6	+ 2.4
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	3.0	3.0	3.0	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.7	0	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.8	6.6	6.8	+ 3.0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.6	24.4	24.9	+ 4.9	+ 2.8
Cigarettes	20.1	19.9	19.9	+ 1.0	+ 1.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.6	3.9	4.2	+17.9	+ 9.5
Textile Mill Products	218.1	219.3	227.5	- 0.5	- 4.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.8	64.3	69.5	- 0.8	- 8.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.0	34.1	37.0	- 0.3	- 0.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.4	30.0	32.3	- 2.0	- 9.0
Knitting Mills	72.7	71.0	73.8	+ 2.4	- 1.5
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.6	21.6	21.1	0	+ 2.4
Hosiery, NEC	20.9	20.9	21.7	0	- 3.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.0	15.0	14.7	0	+ 2.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	6.1	6.9	- 3.3	-14.5
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.5	14.7	14.2	- 1.4	+ 2.1
Yarn & Thread Mills	54.5	54.8	56.7	- 0.5	- 3.9

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ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1983 (thous)	December 1982 (thous)	January 1982 (thous)	December 1982	January 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.9	85.7	86.0	+ 1.4	+ 1.0
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.3	26.8	27.6	+ 1.9	- 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.1	41.8	41.8	+ 0.7	+ 0.7
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.7	21.8	0	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	10.9	11.0	+ 0.9	0
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.2	6.3	6.5	- 1.6	- 4.6
Printing & Publishing	21.4	21.3	21.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.9
Newspapers	8.4	8.3	8.4	+ 1.2	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.0	35.8	39.0	+ 0.6	- 7.7
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	15.9	0	-14.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.4	25.2	26.2	+ 0.8	- 3.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.9	5.8	5.8	+ 1.7	+ 1.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1568.0	1567.0	1521.7	+ 0.1	+ 3.0
MINING	4.6	4.5	4.5	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
CONSTRUCTION	103.3	102.6	98.9	+ 0.7	+ 4.4
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.0	115.6	115.4	- 0.5	- 0.3
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.1	55.6	54.9	- 0.9	+ 0.4
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.6	54.8	- 0.5	- 0.9
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	479.5	474.7	460.7	+ 1.0	+ 4.1
Wholesale Trade	125.5	125.5	125.8	0	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	71.7	72.0	73.2	- 0.4	- 2.0
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.8	53.5	52.6	+ 0.6	+ 2.3
Retail Trade	354.0	349.2	334.9	+ 1.4	+ 5.7
General Merchandise Stores	53.2	51.7	47.2	+ 2.9	+12.7
Variety Stores	13.2	12.2	11.0	+ 8.2	+20.0
Food Stores	57.9	57.8	56.6	+ 0.2	+ 2.3
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.5	98.3	97.2	+ 0.2	+ 1.3
SERVICES	366.5	367.2	352.6	- 0.2	+ 3.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.6	21.0	18.7	+ 2.9	+15.5
Personal Services	23.9	22.8	24.7	+ 4.8	- 3.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.0	9.8	+ 1.0	+ 3.1
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	400.6	404.1	392.4	- 0.9	+ 2.1
Federal	49.6	49.7	48.7	- 0.2	+ 1.8
State	118.9	122.0	111.8	- 2.5	+ 6.4
Education	60.5	63.3	53.1	- 4.4	+13.9
Other	58.4	58.7	58.7	- 0.5	- 0.5
Local	232.1	232.4	231.9	- 0.1	+ 0.1
Education	130.0	130.4	129.5	- 0.3	+ 0.4
Other	102.1	102.0	102.4	+ 0.1	- 0.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

January, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	December 1982	January 1982
MANUFACTURING	607.2	610.9	636.4	- 0.6	- 4.6
DURABLE GOODS	214.3	216.5	229.6	- 1.0	- 6.7
Lumber & Wood Products	26.9	27.0	26.6	- 0.4	+ 1.1
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.7	6.7	6.4	0	+ 4.7
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.6	2.7	2.3	- 3.7	+13.0
Furniture & Fixtures	70.5	70.8	72.5	- 0.4	- 2.8
Household Furniture	63.8	63.9	65.3	- 0.2	- 2.3
Wood Household Furniture	34.4	34.5	36.0	- 0.3	- 4.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.0	12.1	13.1	- 0.8	- 8.4
Structural Clay Products	1.2	1.4	1.1	-14.3	- 9.1
Primary Metal Industries	5.7	5.7	6.4	0	-10.9
Fabricated Metal Products	16.8	17.2	18.7	- 2.3	-10.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.3	25.8	28.7	- 1.9	-11.8
Special Industry Machinery	4.2	4.3	6.4	- 2.3	-34.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	34.6	35.6	39.3	- 2.8	-12.0
Household Appliances	3.3	4.5	3.7	-26.7	-10.8
Transportation Equipment	11.7	11.5	12.8	+ 1.7	- 8.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	392.9	394.4	406.8	- 0.4	- 3.4
Food & Kindred Products	28.1	28.9	28.1	- 2.8	0
Meat Products	14.1	14.3	13.9	- 1.4	+ 1.4
Meat Packing	2.0	2.1	1.9	- 4.8	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.5	2.6	2.5	- 3.8	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.2	20.2	20.9	0	- 3.3
Cigarettes	16.0	16.0	16.3	0	- 1.8
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.6	3.5	4.0	+ 2.9	-10.0
Textile Mill Products	192.8	194.5	203.1	- 0.9	- 5.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	57.0	57.4	62.3	- 0.7	- 8.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.4	30.4	33.4	0	- 9.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.5	26.9	28.8	- 1.5	- 8.0
Knitting Mills	62.8	63.3	64.4	- 0.8	- 2.5
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.0	19.1	18.8	- 0.5	+ 1.1
Hosiery, NEC	18.9	19.0	19.7	- 0.5	- 4.1
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.6	12.8	12.4	- 1.6	+ 1.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.9	5.0	5.8	- 2.0	-15.5
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.2	12.4	12.1	- 1.6	+ 0.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.1	50.6	52.9	- 1.0	- 5.3
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.4	73.6	74.3	+ 1.1	+ 0.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.4	22.8	23.9	+ 2.6	- 2.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	35.8	35.5	35.5	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Paper & Allied Products	16.5	16.5	16.7	0	- 1.2
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	8.0	8.3	0	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.8	4.8	5.0	0	- 4.0
Printing & Publishing	13.2	13.2	13.1	0	+ 0.8
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.0	22.8	24.9	+ 0.9	- 7.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.3	9.3	10.8	0	-13.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	19.8	19.8	20.5	0	- 3.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.9	4.9	5.2	0	- 5.8

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2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

JANUARY, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982	January 1983	December 1982	January 1982
MANUFACTURING	$ 251.25	$ 254.80	$194.62	38.3	38.9	30.6	$ 6.56	$ 6.55	$ 6.36
DURABLE GOODS	259.11	265.38	199.12	38.5	39.2	30.4	6.73	6.77	6.55
Lumber & Wood Products	217.79	219.30	153.99	39.1	39.8	29.5	5.57	5.51	5.22
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	214.66	214.11	159.03	39.1	39.0	30.7	5.59	5.49	5.18
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	239.65	235.08	123.34	37.8	38.1	20.8	6.34	6.17	5.93
Furniture & Fixtures	211.12	214.60	138.30	36.4	37.0	25.1	5.80	5.80	5.51
Household Furniture	210.03	211.60	132.79	36.4	36.8	24.5	5.77	5.75	5.42
Wood Household Furniture	204.06	205.90	132.59	36.9	37.3	25.4	5.53	5.52	5.22
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	292.23	290.70	243.44	40.7	40.6	34.0	7.18	7.16	7.16
Structural Clay Products	233.21	231.83	167.14	40.7	40.6	29.9	5.73	5.71	5.59
Primary Metal Industries	304.44	312.42	244.08	39.9	41.0	33.9	7.63	7.62	7.20
Fabricated Metal Products	287.56	300.44	229.72	39.5	41.1	32.4	7.28	7.31	7.09
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	301.08	324.41	252.96	39.0	40.5	34.0	7.72	8.01	7.44
Special Industry Machinery	272.45	279.27	215.78	38.7	39.5	32.4	7.04	7.07	6.66
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	306.52	309.68	270.90	39.5	39.5	35.0	7.76	7.84	7.74
Household Appliances	238.40	226.69	185.22	39.8	36.8	31.5	5.99	6.16	5.88
Transportation Equipment	302.65	312.23	222.77	40.3	41.3	32.1	7.51	7.56	6.94
NONDURABLE GOODS	247.54	248.84	191.88	38.2	38.7	30.7	6.48	6.43	6.25
Food & Kindred Products	231.77	243.41	203.90	38.5	40.3	34.5	6.02	6.04	5.91
Meat Products	197.10	206.84	167.96	37.4	39.1	32.3	5.27	5.29	5.20
Meat Packing	359.90	360.48	325.43	45.1	45.4	43.8	7.98	7.94	7.43
Dairy Products	253.38	262.14	235.99	41.2	43.4	40.9	6.15	6.04	5.77
Grain Mill Products	273.28	286.97	272.79	42.7	44.7	44.5	6.40	6.42	6.13
Bakery Products	252.46	266.90	193.52	40.2	42.5	32.8	6.28	6.28	5.90
Beverages	385.54	419.68	409.19	41.5	43.9	41.5	9.29	9.56	9.86
Tobacco Manufacturers	394.21	405.84	336.66	36.4	38.0	34.6	10.83	10.68	9.73
Cigarettes	448.72	460.42	382.50	36.6	38.4	34.9	12.26	11.99	10.96
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	165.90	175.08	151.01	35.6	36.4	32.9	4.66	4.81	4.59
Textile Mill Products	226.53	226.38	168.04	38.2	38.5	29.9	5.93	5.88	5.62
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	246.24	248.45	186.96	38.0	38.4	30.7	6.48	6.47	6.09
Weaving Mills, Cotton	249.17	253.22	178.48	38.1	38.6	29.5	6.54	6.56	6.05
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	243.32	243.33	196.16	37.9	38.2	32.0	6.42	6.37	6.13
Knitting Mills	210.31	206.22	153.22	38.1	37.7	28.8	5.52	5.47	5.32
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	198.78	199.68	146.59	38.3	38.4	28.8	5.19	5.20	5.09
Hosiery, NEC	200.39	182.85	143.31	36.5	34.5	28.1	5.49	5.30	5.10
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	245.43	245.84	188.85	40.3	40.5	32.9	6.09	6.07	5.74
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	253.79	241.60	168.20	41.0	40.0	28.9	6.19	6.04	5.82
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	236.60	248.46	197.39	38.1	40.4	33.4	6.21	6.15	5.91
Yarn & Thread Mills	219.84	215.77	158.95	38.5	38.6	29.6	5.71	5.59	5.37
Apparel & Other Textile Products	178.85	175.85	114.11	36.8	37.1	24.7	4.86	4.74	4.62
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	176.15	171.24	110.92	35.3	35.9	23.5	4.99	4.77	4.72
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	170.19	168.54	115.88	36.6	36.8	26.1	4.65	4.58	4.44
Paper & Allied Products	418.00	423.53	374.58	41.8	42.1	39.1	10.00	10.06	9.58
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	507.07	518.91	464.53	43.6	44.2	43.7	11.63	11.74	10.63
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	292.22	296.53	208.53	41.0	41.3	31.5	7.13	7.18	6.62
Printing & Publishing	266.58	280.60	235.98	37.6	39.3	34.5	7.09	7.14	6.84
Newspapers	252.32	257.03	245.48	33.2	34.5	34.0	7.60	7.45	7.22
Chemicals & Allied Products	356.49	346.18	304.29	41.5	40.3	37.8	8.59	8.59	8.05
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	403.22	386.10	356.47	42.4	40.9	40.6	9.51	9.44	8.78
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	313.05	313.19	256.02	38.6	39.1	34.0	8.11	8.01	7.53
MINING	281.95	287.58	241.51	41.1	41.8	34.9	6.86	6.88	6.92
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	407.81	411.23	370.64	40.7	41.0	40.2	10.02	10.03	9.22
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	193.71	198.36	187.02	33.0	34.2	32.3	5.87	5.80	5.79
Wholesale Trade	265.42	265.88	236.99	38.3	39.1	36.8	6.93	6.80	6.44
Retail Trade	162.10	168.64	162.54	30.7	32.0	30.1	5.28	5.27	5.40
General Merchandise Stores	139.10	155.80	117.13	29.1	32.8	24.3	4.78	4.75	4.82
Variety Stores	99.02	2/	77.04	28.7	2/	18.7	3.45	2/	4.12
Food Stores	185.81	189.01	178.25	31.6	32.2	31.0	5.88	5.87	5.75
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	121.47	121.35	110.88	29.2	29.1	26.4	4.16	4.17	4.20
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	165.52	170.29	148.00	34.7	35.7	32.6	4.77	4.77	4.54

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Information not available.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

February, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT REMAINS STABLE OVER THE MONTH: Total employment in North Carolina stayed constant at 2,600,800 from mid-January, 1983, to mid-February, 1983. Offsetting mixed trends occurred in the three main employment categories. Agricultural employment began its seasonal climb by adding 2,600 workers (+6.1 percent). In addition, "all other" nonagricultural employment grew by 5,000 (+1.9 percent). However, both of those gains were completely negated by the loss of 7,600 people (-0.3 percent) in nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT FALLS IN FEBRUARY: From the middle of January to the middle of February, 1983, manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) in the State dropped by 2,600 workers (-0.3 percent) to 762,600. The durable goods sector fell by 500 (19.2 percent of the total) as just two industry groups experienced growth: electrical machinery, +600, due to recalls; and transportation equipment, +300, due to an increase in business. The largest loss in durable goods occurred in furniture and fixtures, down by 700 persons (-0.9 percent) due mainly to temporary layoffs. The nondurable goods sector sustained a net monthly loss of 2,100 workers (-0.4 percent) as only two industry groups exhibited increases: printing, publishing, and allied, +200; and chemicals and allied, +100. Tobacco manufacturing sustained the largest drop, down by 1,100 workers (-4.4 percent) because of seasonal layoffs.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES SLIGHTLY: North Carolina's nonmanufacturing was estimated to be 1,548,000 in mid-February of this year, a modest over-the-month gain of 3,500 workers (+0.2 percent) as substantial increases in two industry groups more than offset significant losses in two others. Government employment rose by 5,700 (+1.4 percent) due primarily to gains in state education as student workers returned to work after the semester break. Service and miscellaneous experienced employment growth of 3,000 (+0.8 percent) due in most part to seasonal factors. The largest employment decline occurred in trade, down by 3,400 people (-0.7 percent) because of a seasonal downturn. Construction also suffered a noticeable drop, falling by 2,300 persons (-2.4 percent) over the month due to poor weather conditions throughout the western and piedmont sections of the State.

MANUFACTURING DECLINES BUT NONMANUFACTURING RISES OVER THE YEAR: Since February of last year, manufacturing employment in the State has sustained a loss of 31,100 workers (-3.8 percent) and has fallen to 762,600. Nearly all of the manufacturing industry groups registered yearly decreases. The largest worker losses occurred in textile mill products, -10,900; electrical machinery, -4,800; chemicals and allied -2,800; fabricated metals, -2,600; and furniture and fixtures, -2,200. On the positive side, North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment displayed a subtle increase of 2,700 (+0.2 percent) during the past twelve months. Service and miscellaneous experienced the largest growth, up by 10,200 (+2.9 percent). That was partially counteracted by a decline of 8,200 workers (-8.0 percent) in the construction industry.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASES IN FEBRUARY: From the middle of January to the middle of February of this year, total unemployment in the State rose by 6,800 persons (+2.4 percent) to 295,600. As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment in North Carolina climbed from 10.0 percent in January, 1983, to 10.2 percent in February, 1983. Unemployment conditions were somewhat more favorable twelve months ago (February, 1982) when there were 256,800 jobless people and the rate was 8.9 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 11.3 percent in February, 1983, 11.4 percent in January, 1983, and 9.6 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.4 percent this February and January, and 8.8 percent in February, 1982.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

February, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
				January, 1983		February, 1982	
	February 2/ 1983	January 3/ 1983	February 1982	Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,896,400	2,889,600	2,897,500	+6,800	+0.2	- 1,100	*
Employment, Total	2,600,800	2,600,800	2,640,700	0	0	-39,900	- 1.5
Agricultural Employment	45,400	42,800	48,800	+2,600	+6.1	- 3,400	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,281,400	2,289,000	2,328,500	-7,600	-0.3	-47,100	- 2.0
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	274,000	269,000	263,400	+5,000	+1.9	+10,600	+ 4.0
Unemployment, Total	295,600	288,800	256,800	+6,800	+2.4	+38,800	+15.1
State Unadjusted Rate	10.2	10.0	8.9	+ 0.2	XXX	+ 1.3	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	11.3	11.4	9.6	- 0.1	XXX	+ 1.7	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.4	10.4	8.8	0	XXX	+ 1.6	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

HOURLY EARNINGS RISE BUT HOURS WORKED DECLINE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers inched forward by 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $6.60 from the middle of January to the middle of February of this year. Moreover, that was a net over-the-year gain of 37¢ an hour (+5.9 percent). The durable goods segment enjoyed a modest net monthly rise of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to hit $6.78 this February. Also, that figure represented a net yearly increase of 36¢ an hour (+5.6 percent). Nonelectrical machinery was the durable goods industry that experienced the largest net over-the-month gain, climbing by 13¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to arrive at $7.96. The lumber and wood industry was second with a net monthly jump of 8¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to reach $5.64 in February, 1983. The nondurable goods segment edged upward by just 1¢ over the month (+0.2 percent) to attain a level of $6.50 this February. This segment experienced a yearly increase of 38¢ an hour (+6.2 percent). Tobacco manufacturing led the way in nondurables with a net over-the-month surge of 15¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) for a February figure of $10.98. Three industries tied for second with net monthly gains of 6¢ an hour. Those were food and kindred products, textile mill products, and paper and allied products. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees fell by $1.21 (-0.5 percent) to $250.80 in February, 1983. Compared to twelve months ago, that was an increase of $15.93 (+6.8 percent). The average weekly hours worked by production workers declined 0.3 of an hour to 38.0 in February of this year. However, that was 0.3 of an hour above one year ago.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX JUST BARELY UP OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers edged up to 293.2 in February, 1983, according to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was an over-the-month gain of only 0.03 percent and an over-the-year increase of just 3.5 percent. The cost of medical care rose by 1.0 percent over the month to represent the largest increase in the main groups. Entertainment followed with a surge of 0.7 percent from January to February of this year. One of the major categories did enjoy a healthy decrease over the month, however. That was transportation, down by 1.1 percent. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, stood at 34.1¢ in February, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT EXPECTED TO INCREASE: Total employment in the State will probably grow noticeably from mid-February to mid-April of this year. Hopefully, seasonal improvement will be evident in several of the nonmanufacturing industries, such as construction, trade, and service and miscellaneous. Also, look for seasonal growth of approximately 16,000 workers in agriculture during that time.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES: As of February 28, 1983, there were 186,713 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State. That figure represented a net over-the-month drop of 1,050 people (-0.6 percent). The largest active applicant group by age was once again twenty-two to thirty-nine with 115,621 or 61.9 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four year olds followed with 33,741 or 18.1 percent. The fifty-five and over age segment had the lowest number of applicants with just 11,646 or 6.2 percent of the total. Female applicants comprised 46.3 percent of the total with a count of 86,477. Blacks (not including Hispanics) numbered 64,842 and made up 34.7 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from the North Carolina active applicant file as of the end of February, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

February 28, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	186,713	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	25,705	13.8
22-39	115,621	61.9
40-54	33,741	18.1
55 and Over	11,646	6.2
Sex		
Male	100,236	53.7
Female	86,477	46.3
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	118,056	63.2
Black (not Hispanic)	64,842	34.7
Hispanic	594	0.3
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,186	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,035	0.6
Eligible Claimant	97,593	52.3
Veteran	31,800	17.0
Handicapped	11,766	6.3
Welfare	16,634	8.9
Seasonal Farmworker	1,218	0.7

JOB OPENINGS CONTINUE TO INCREASE: During the month of February, 1983, there were 10,873 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina - a net monthly rise of 1,451 (+15.4 percent). Most of those openings were filled (8,191 or 75.3 percent). The occupational group with the largest number of job openings received in February was service, which had 1,830. The majority (1,456 or 79.6 percent) was filled. Clerical openings were next with 1,765 received and 1,179 or 66.8 percent filled. Bench work occupations registered the third largest number of job openings received with 1,498. Most of those were also filled (1,155 or 77.1 percent). Processing continues to have the lowest number of job openings received with only 424 in February. However, the biggest part of those was filled (375 or 88.4 percent). There have been 56,043 job openings received by the Job Service offices across the State from October 1, 1982, through February 28, 1983. A very good percentage of those was filled (46,053 or 82.2 percent). There were 6,117 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file at the end of February, 1983. The majority of those (3,186 or 52.1 percent) should be classified as hard-to-fill due to remaining open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on the State's job openings in February, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	February, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Feb. 28, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	635	233	2,984	1,370	845	462
Clerical	1,765	1,179	7,714	5,646	1,064	481
Sales	462	252	3,131	2,206	514	317
Service	1,830	1,456	9,104	7,378	934	463
Domestic	179	149	1,018	896	30	18
Other Services	1,651	1,307	8,086	6,482	904	445
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	786	725	9,671	9,528	90	36
Processing	424	375	1,911	1,743	261	158
Machine Trades	955	712	3,803	2,874	522	233
Bench Work	1,498	1,155	5,684	4,971	834	469
Structural Work	1,272	1,042	6,264	5,169	627	331
Miscellaneous	1,246	1,062	5,777	5,168	426	236
Motor Freight & Trans.	238	171	1,352	1,021	104	41
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	961	849	4,195	4,000	288	173
Other	47	42	230	147	34	22
Total	10,873	8,191	56,043	46,053	6,117	3,186

1/ October 1, 1982, through February 28, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1983 (Thous.)	January 1983 (Thous.)	February 1982 (Thous.)	January 1983	February 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2310.6	2309.7	2339.0	+ 0.04	- 1.2
MANUFACTURING	762.6	765.2	793.7	- 0.3	- 3.8
DURABLE GOODS	284.5	285.0	298.9	- 0.2	- 4.8
Lumber & Wood Products	31.1	31.1	30.8	0	+ 1.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.6	11.5	11.7	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.1	0	+ 7.0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.1	3.1	3.0	0	+ 3.3
Furniture & Fixtures	78.6	79.3	80.8	- 0.9	- 2.7
Household Furniture	70.4	71.1	71.8	- 1.0	- 1.9
Wood Household Furniture	36.7	37.4	37.9	- 1.9	- 3.2
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.6	28.9	29.2	- 1.0	- 2.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.0	15.1	16.2	- 0.7	- 7.4
Structural Clay Products	1.6	1.6	1.5	- 0	+ 6.7
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.2	4.2	4.2	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	8.1	8.1	8.8	0	- 8.0
Fabricated Metal Products	23.0	23.2	25.6	- 0.9	- 10.2
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.6	9.7	10.0	- 1.0	- 5.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.2	49.6	50.9	- 0.8	- 3.3
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.5	7.6	0	- 14.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	50.4	49.8	55.2	+ 1.2	- 8.7
Household Appliances	4.8	3.9	4.8	+ 23.1	0
Transportation Equipment	15.1	14.8	15.9	+ 2.0	- 5.0
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.0	14.0	14.7	0	- 4.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	478.1	480.2	494.8	- 0.4	- 3.4
Food & Kindred Products	41.2	41.7	41.9	- 1.2	- 1.7
Meat Products	16.3	16.5	16.4	- 1.2	- 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.6	2.8	2.8	- 7.1	- 7.1
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.8	7.8	7.7	0	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.4	6.5	6.7	- 1.5	- 4.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.8	24.9	24.4	- 4.4	- 2.5
Cigarettes	19.7	19.9	19.7	- 1.0	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.5	4.2	3.9	- 16.7	- 10.3
Textile Mill Products	217.3	217.8	228.2	- 0.2	- 4.8
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.9	63.8	39.5	- 1.4	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.8	34.1	37.4	- 0.9	- 9.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	29.5	31.9	- 2.4	- 9.7
Knitting Mills	72.2	72.0	74.3	+ 0.3	- 2.9
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.6	21.7	21.4	- 0.5	+ 0.9
Hosiery, NEC	20.4	20.6	21.8	- 1.0	- 6.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.1	14.9	14.9	+ 1.3	+ 1.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.7	5.9	6.8	- 3.4	- 16.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.7	14.5	14.2	+ 1.4	+ 3.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	54.8	54.5	56.7	+ 0.6	- 3.4

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1983 (Thous.)	January 1983 (Thous.)	February 1982 (Thous.)	January 1983	February 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.3	86.3	85.8	0	+ 0.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.0	27.2	27.2	- 0.7	- 0.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.9	41.7	41.8	+ 0.5	+ 0.2
Paper & Allied Products	21.9	21.9	22.1	0	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	11.0	11.3	+ 0.9	- 3.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.2	6.5	+ 1.6	- 3.1
Printing & Publishing	21.7	21.5	21.7	+ 0.9	0
Newspapers	8.4	8.3	8.5	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.8	35.7	38.6	+ 0.3	- 7.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.5	15.8	0	- 14.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.6	24.8	26.2	- 0.8	- 6.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.6	5.9	- 1.8	- 6.8
NONMANUFACTURING	1548.0	1544.5	1545.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
MINING	4.5	4.5	4.7	0	- 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	93.7	96.0	101.9	- 2.4	- 8.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.4	113.2	115.4	+ 0.2	- 1.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	54.4	53.9	55.3	+ 0.9	- 1.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.6	53.9	54.3	- 0.6	- 1.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	466.9	470.3	468.4	- 0.7	- 0.3
Wholesale Trade	123.4	123.9	124.5	- 0.4	- 0.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	71.7	71.6	72.8	+ 0.1	- 1.5
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.7	52.3	51.7	- 1.1	0
Retail Trade	343.5	346.4	343.9	- 0.8	- 0.1
General Merchandise Stores	51.4	53.2	51.5	- 3.4	- 0.2
Variety Stores	12.4	12.7	12.0	- 2.4	+ 3.3
Food Stores	57.3	57.6	57.0	- 0.5	+ 0.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.0	97.7	96.8	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
SERVICES	361.1	358.1	350.9	+ 0.8	+ 2.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	18.3	17.9	17.2	+ 2.2	+ 6.4
Personal Services	24.4	24.3	24.4	+ 0.4	0
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	9.9	0	0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	410.4	404.7	407.2	+ 1.4	+ 0.8
Federal	48.8	48.9	48.1	- 0.2	+ 1.5
State	123.0	118.4	120.4	+ 3.9	+ 2.2
Education	65.1	60.7	62.6	+ 7.2	+ 4.0
Other	57.9	57.7	57.8	+ 0.3	+ 0.2
Local	238.6	237.4	238.7	+ 0.5	- 0.04
Education	137.3	136.6	137.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.1
Other	101.3	100.8	101.5	+ 0.5	- 0.2

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	ebruary 1983 (Thous)	January 1983 (Thous)	February 1982 (Thous)	January 1983	February 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,330.9	2,335.5	2,362.4	- 0.2	- 1.3
MANUFACTURING	765.4	768.6	796.3	- 0.4	- 3.9
DURABLE GOODS	285.4	285.5	299.6	*	- 4.7
Lumber & Wood Products	31.5	31.6	31.2	- 0.3	+ 1.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.7	11.8	11.8	- 0.8	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.1	0	+ 7.0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.2	3.2	3.1	0	+ 3.2
Furniture & Fixtures	78.1	78.6	80.2	- 0.6	- 2.6
Household Furniture	69.8	70.4	71.2	- 0.9	- 2.0
Wood Household Furniture	36.5	37.0	37.7	- 1.4	- 3.2
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.5	29.0	29.1	- 1.7	- 2.1
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.3	15.3	16.5	0	- 7.3
Structural Clay Products	1.7	1.7	1.6	0	+ 6.2
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	8.1	8.1	8.8	0	- 8.0
Fabricated Metal Products	23.0	23.2	25.6	- 0.9	-10.2
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.6	9.7	10.0	- 1.0	- 4.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.1	49.6	50.7	- 1.0	- 3.2
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.5	7.5	0	-13.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.1	50.1	55.9	+ 2.0	- 8.6
Household Appliances	5.1	4.1	5.1	+24.4	0
Transportation Equipment	15.2	14.9	16.0	+ 2.0	- 5.0
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.0	14.1	14.7	- 0.7	- 4.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	480.0	483.1	496.7	- 0.6	- 3.4
Food & Kindred Products	42.1	42.7	42.8	- 1.4	- 1.6
Meat Products	16.2	16.7	16.3	- 3.0	- 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.8	2.9	- 3.6	- 6.9
Dairy Products	3.0	3.0	3.0	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.8	0	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.5	6.8	6.8	- 4.4	- 4.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.8	25.6	25.5	- 3.1	- 2.7
Cigarettes	19.7	20.1	19.7	- 2.0	0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.3	4.6	4.8	- 6.5	-10.4
Textile Mill Products	216.9	218.2	227.7	- 0.6	- 4.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.8	63.7	69.4	- 1.4	- 9.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.7	34.0	37.3	- 0.9	- 9.7
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.7	29.4	32.1	- 1.7	-10.0
Knitting Mills	72.3	72.7	74.4	- 0.6	- 2.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.6	21.7	21.4	- 0.5	+ 0.9
Hosiery, NEC	20.5	21.0	21.9	- 2.4	- 6.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.1	15.0	14.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.3
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.7	5.9	6.8	- 3.4	-16.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.6	14.5	14.1	+ 0.7	+ 3.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	54.5	54.4	56.4	+ 0.2	- 3.4

*Less than 0.05 percent.

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	February 1983 (Thous)	January 1983 (Thous)	February 1982 (Thous)	January 1983	February 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.5	86.9	86.0	- 0.5	+ 0.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.9	27.3	27.1	- 1.5	- 0.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.0	42.2	41.9	- 0.5	+ 0.2
Paper & Allied Products	21.9	21.7	22.1	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	11.0	11.0	11.4	0	- 3.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.2	6.5	+ 1.6	- 3.1
Printing & Publishing	21.6	21.3	21.6	+ 1.4	0
Newspapers	8.4	8.3	8.5	+ 1.2	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.9	36.0	38.7	- 0.3	- 7.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	15.9	0	-14.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.8	25.0	26.4	- 0.8	- 6.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.7	5.9	- 3.5	- 6.8
NONMANUFACTURING	1,565.5	1,566.9	1,566.1	- 0.1	*
MINING	4.6	4.6	4.8	0	- 4.2
CONSTRUCTION	101.1	103.2	109.9	- 2.0	- 8.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.5	114.7	116.6	- 0.2	- 1.8
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.1	55.1	56.0	0	- 1.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.0	54.1	54.7	- 0.2	- 1.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	477.5	478.9	481.6	- 0.3	- 0.9
Wholesale Trade	125.6	125.8	126.7	- 0.2	- 0.9
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.0	71.9	73.1	+ 0.1	- 1.5
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.6	53.9	53.6	- 0.6	0
Retail Trade	351.9	353.1	354.9	- 0.3	- 0.8
General Merchandise Stores	54.0	52.8	54.2	+ 2.3	- 0.4
Variety Stores	13.1	13.0	12.6	+ 0.8	+ 4.0
Food Stores	57.9	57.7	57.6	+ 0.3	+ 0.5
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.0	98.6	97.8	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
SERVICES	367.7	365.8	357.3	+ 0.5	+ 2.9
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.0	21.1	19.8	- 0.5	+ 6.1
Personal Services	23.8	23.9	23.8	- 0.4	0
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.0	10.1	+ 1.0	0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	401.1	401.1	398.1	0	+ 0.8
Federal	49.3	49.6	48.6	- 0.6	+ 1.4
State	119.9	119.2	117.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Education	61.5	60.7	59.2	+ 1.3	+ 3.9
Other	58.4	58.5	58.3	- 0.2	+ 0.2
Local	231.9	232.3	232.0	- 0.2	*
Education	129.2	130.1	129.1	- 0.7	+ 0.1
Other	102.7	102.2	102.9	+ 0.5	- 0.2

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

February, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	February 1983	January 1983	February 1982	January 1983	February 1982
MANUFACTURING	604.0	606.3	633.6	- 0.4	- 4.7
DURABLE GOODS	213.5	214.0	227.1	- 0.2	- 6.0
Lumber & Wood Products	26.7	26.8	26.8	- 0.4	- 0.4
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.7	6.7	6.3	0	+ 6.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.5	2.6	2.4	- 3.8	+ 4.2
Furniture & Fixtures	69.6	70.4	71.7	- 1.1	- 2.9
Household Furniture	63.0	63.8	64.5	- 1.3	- 2.3
Wood Household Furniture	33.7	34.3	35.3	- 1.7	- 4.5
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	11.8	11.9	12.9	- 0.8	- 8.5
Structural Clay Products	1.2	1.1	1.0	+ 9.1	+20.0
Primary Metal Industries	5.7	5.7	6.3	0	- 9.5
Fabricated Metal Products	16.5	16.8	18.2	- 1.8	- 9.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.0	25.3	27.4	- 1.2	- 8.8
Special Industry Machinery	4.2	4.2	5.2	0	-19.2
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	35.2	34.5	39.6	+ 2.0	-11.1
Household Appliances	4.1	3.3	4.1	+24.2	0
Transportation Equipment	12.1	11.8	12.7	+ 2.5	- 4.7
NONDURABLE GOODS	390.5	392.3	406.5	- 0.5	- 3.9
Food & Kindred Products	27.6	28.1	28.1	- 1.8	- 1.8
Meat Products	13.9	14.1	13.9	- 1.4	0
Meat Packing	1.9	2.0	1.9	- 5.0	0
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.6	0	- 2.2
Beverages	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Tobacco Manufacturers	19.2	20.2	20.1	- 5.0	- 4.5
Cigarettes	15.8	16.0	16.1	- 1.3	- 1.9
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.8	3.6	3.4	-22.2	-17.6
Textile Mill Products	192.5	192.9	203.7	- 0.2	- 5.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	56.1	57.0	62.7	- 1.6	-10.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.1	30.3	33.9	- 0.7	-11.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	25.8	26.5	28.7	- 2.6	-10.1
Knitting Mills	63.0	62.9	65.2	+ 0.2	- 3.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.1	19.1	18.9	0	+ 1.1
Hosiery, NEC	18.8	19.0	20.1	- 1.1	- 6.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.8	12.6	12.5	+ 1.6	+ 2.4
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.8	4.9	5.8	- 2.0	-17.2
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.4	12.2	11.9	+ 1.6	+ 4.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.3	50.1	52.4	+ 0.4	- 4.0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.5	74.5	74.2	0	+ 0.4
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.3	23.3	23.6	0	- 1.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.1	36.0	36.0	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
Paper & Allied Products	16.6	16.5	16.7	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	8.0	8.3	0	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.9	4.8	4.9	+ 2.1	0
Printing & Publishing	13.2	13.1	13.2	+ 0.8	0
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.0	22.9	25.0	+ 0.4	- 8.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.3	9.3	10.8	0	-13.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	19.2	19.4	20.3	- 1.0	- 5.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.7	4.7	5.2	0	- 9.6

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

February, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Feb. 1983	Jan. 1983	Feb. 1982	Feb. 1983	Jan. 1983	Feb. 1982	Feb. 1983	Jan. 1983	Feb. 1982
MANUFACTURING	$250.80	$ 252.01	$234.87	38.0	38.3	37.7	$ 6.60	$ 6.58	$ 6.23
DURABLE GOODS	254.93	258.14	244.60	37.6	38.3	38.1	6.78	6.74	6.42
Lumber & Wood Products	215.45	216.84	192.99	38.2	39.0	36.9	5.64	5.56	5.23
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	207.35	212.08	190.01	37.7	38.7	36.4	5.50	5.48	5.22
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	256.86	239.65	204.62	38.8	37.8	33.6	6.62	6.34	6.09
Furniture & Fixtures	201.95	207.50	194.19	35.0	35.9	35.5	5.77	5.78	5.47
Household Furniture	201.70	207.00	191.68	35.2	36.0	35.3	5.73	5.75	5.43
Wood Household Furniture	202.02	202.95	191.21	36.4	36.9	36.7	5.55	5.50	5.21
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	272.08	290.70	257.69	38.0	40.6	37.4	7.16	7.16	6.89
Structural Clay Products	213.93	232.31	191.26	37.4	40.9	34.4	5.72	5.68	5.56
Primary Metal Industries	317.06	308.56	278.48	41.5	40.6	39.5	7.64	7.60	7.05
Fabricated Metal Products	286.69	291.06	276.58	38.9	39.6	38.9	7.37	7.35	7.11
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	306.46	306.15	311.22	38.5	39.1	42.4	7.96	7.83	7.34
Special Industry Machinery	271.60	273.78	266.63	38.2	39.0	39.5	7.11	7.02	6.75
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	299.15	305.35	308.91	38.5	39.4	40.7	7.77	7.75	7.59
Household Appliances	223.94	238.40	227.89	37.2	39.8	38.3	6.02	5.99	5.95
Transportation Equipment	309.48	303.28	271.47	41.1	40.6	39.4	7.53	7.47	6.89
NONDURABLE GOODS	248.30	248.57	229.50	38.2	38.3	37.5	6.50	6.49	6.12
Food & Kindred Products	231.27	230.18	212.04	38.1	38.3	36.0	6.07	6.01	5.89
Meat Products	185.33	196.79	161.86	35.3	37.2	31.8	5.25	5.29	5.09
Meat Packing	328.80	359.90	287.43	42.1	45.1	40.2	7.81	7.98	7.15
Dairy Products	245.21	258.22	244.07	40.8	42.4	42.3	6.01	6.09	5.77
Grain Mill Products	278.64	274.77	270.56	43.2	43.0	44.5	6.45	6.39	6.08
Bakery Products	270.10	241.25	224.07	43.1	38.6	38.5	6.29	6.25	5.82
Beverages	390.73	384.47	411.45	41.7	41.7	42.2	9.37	9.22	9.75
Tobacco Manufacturers	362.34	394.21	380.39	33.0	36.4	37.7	10.98	10.83	10.09
Cigarettes	402.78	448.72	427.84	33.8	36.6	38.2	12.28	12.26	11.20
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	153.57	165.90	167.44	33.9	35.6	35.4	4.53	4.66	4.73
Textile Mill Products	237.39	229.08	209.06	39.0	38.5	37.2	6.01	5.95	5.62
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	257.15	252.20	223.74	39.2	38.8	36.8	6.56	6.50	6.08
Weaving Mills, Cotton	253.22	250.10	222.89	38.6	38.3	36.6	6.56	6.53	6.09
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	261.09	254.92	224.59	39.8	39.4	37.0	6.56	6.47	6.07
Knitting Mills	209.63	212.60	196.31	37.5	38.1	36.9	5.59	5.58	5.32
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	196.35	203.52	194.94	37.4	38.4	38.0	5.25	5.30	5.13
Hosiery, NEC	196.97	198.56	178.85	35.3	36.3	35.0	5.58	5.47	5.11
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	248.88	246.43	222.30	40.8	40.2	39.0	6.10	6.13	5.70
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	251.51	252.55	226.38	40.5	40.8	38.5	6.21	6.19	5.88
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	258.62	243.20	236.96	40.6	39.1	40.3	6.37	6.22	5.88
Yarn & Thread Mills	230.44	220.02	199.23	39.8	38.6	37.1	5.79	5.70	5.37
Apparel & Other Textile Products	171.12	176.66	166.47	35.8	36.5	35.8	4.78	4.84	4.65
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	174.24	176.72	160.95	35.2	35.7	34.1	4.95	4.95	4.72
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	161.32	168.69	166.13	35.3	36.2	27.0	4.57	4.66	4.49
Paper & Allied Products	423.19	423.69	391.95	41.9	42.2	42.1	10.10	10.04	9.31
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	513.92	507.07	467.19	44.0	43.6	44.2	11.68	11.63	10.57
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	283.29	296.73	258.13	39.4	41.5	38.7	7.19	7.15	6.67
Printing & Publishing	273.22	275.80	261.23	38.0	38.2	38.7	7.19	7.22	6.75
Newspapers	256.41	253.75	242.59	33.3	33.3	33.6	7.70	7.62	7.22
Chemicals & Allied Products	351.24	355.56	323.18	40.7	41.2	40.6	8.63	8.63	7.96
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	398.69	403.22	367.42	42.1	42.4	41.8	9.47	9.51	8.79
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	319.32	318.20	290.66	38.8	38.9	39.6	8.23	8.18	7.34
MINING	262.45	267.63	269.28	37.6	39.3	40.8	6.98	6.81	6.60
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	410.23	408.22	371.39	40.9	40.7	40.5	10.03	10.03	9.17
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	193.22	193.64	198.60	33.2	33.1	34.6	5.82	5.85	5.74
Wholesale Trade	262.05	264.02	248.33	38.2	38.6	38.5	6.86	6.84	6.45
Retail Trade	161.92	161.57	174.29	30.9	30.6	32.7	5.24	5.28	5.33
General Merchandise Stores	141.60	139.20	135.49	29.5	29.0	29.2	4.80	4.80	4.64
Variety Stores	112.04	104.69	125.14	30.2	29.0	31.6	3.71	3.61	3.96
Food Stores	187.89	186.40	186.55	31.9	31.7	32.5	5.89	5.88	5.74
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	128.57	119.00	121.60	29.9	28.2	29.3	4.30	4.22	4.15
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	158.98	164.35	161.53	33.4	34.6	35.5	4.76	4.75	4.55

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2/ Information not available.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

March, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES MODEST GROWTH: From the middle of February, 1983, to the middle of March, 1983, total employment in the State enjoyed a small increase of 8,700 people (+0.3 percent), rising to 2,608,800. The three principal employment segments each exhibited over-the-month gains. The smallest movement was seen in nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders), which edged forward by just 500 workers. The "all other" nonagricultural employment component displayed a net gain of 3,700 persons (+1.4 percent), while the largest over-the-month growth occurred in agriculture, up seasonally by 4,500 people (+9.9 percent) to 49,900 in March, 1983.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES SLIGHTLY: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) rose by 1,300 workers (+0.2 percent) to 762,900 from mid-February to mid-March of this year. The durable goods segment accounted for 800 (61.5 percent) of the increase as the furniture and fixtures industry added 1,000 persons (+1.3 percent) to its payrolls, mainly recalls. Electrical machinery sustained the largest monthly loss in durables, down by 300 people (-0.6 percent). The nondurable goods segment increased by 500 workers over the month representing 38.5 percent of the total manufacturing gain. Textile mill products experienced the largest net over-the-month surge in nondurables, climbing by 1,400 persons (+0.6 percent) due to recalls which were the result of a general increase in business. On the other hand, tobacco manufacturing suffered the largest net monthly decline in nondurables, falling by 1,100 people (-4.6 percent), mainly because of seasonal cutbacks in stemmeries.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT RISES IN MARCH: In the middle of March, 1983, Statewide nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,555,800 . That was a net monthly increase of 7,400 persons (+0.5 percent). The only major industry division that did not show growth was transportation, communications, and public utilities, which remained stable. Three of the nonmanufacturing divisions experienced significant gains: construction, +1,400; trade, +1,800; and service and miscellaneous, +3,100. Those increases were primarily seasonal in nature.

BOTH MANUFACTURING AND NONMANUFACTURING DOWN SINCE LAST MARCH: Manufacturing employment in North Carolina has lost 23,000 jobs (-2.9 percent) during the past twelve months. Only two of the manufacturing industries displayed modest employment growth over the year: lumber and wood, + 300; and apparel and related products, +900. Several industries have exhibited rather substantial yearly losses: electrical machinery, - 5,000; textile mill products, -4,300; chemicals and allied, - 3,100; and fabricated metals, - 2,500. The over-the-year net drop in the State's nonmanufacturing employment level was not as dramatic, only 2,600 workers (-0.2 percent). Nevertheless, certain industries have declined greatly: construction, - 9,500; and transportation, communications, and public utilities, - 2,600. Those losses were partly offset by the gain of 9,600 workers (+2.7 percent) in service and miscellaneous.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT DOWN CONSIDERABLY OVER THE MONTH: Total unemployment in North Carolina declined by 13,600 people (-4.6 percent) to 282,000 from mid-February, 1983, to mid-March, 1983. Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment fell from 10.2 percent in February to 9.8 percent in March.

The unemployment situation was slightly better one year ago (March, 1983) when there were 271,800 persons out of work and the rate was 9.3 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.8 percent in March, 1983, 11.3 percent in February, 1983, and 9.5 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.3 percent this March, 10.4 percent in February, and 9.0 percent in March of last year.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

MARCH, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	March 2/ 1983	February 3/ 1983	March 1982	February, 1983		March, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,890,800	2,895,700	2,927,200	- 4,900	- 0.2	- 36,400	- 1.2
Employment, Total	2,608,800	2,600,100	2,655,400	+ 8,700	+ 0.3	- 46,600	- 1.8
Agricultural Employment	49,900	45,400	53,600	+ 4,500	+ 9.9	- 3,700	- 6.9
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,281,500	2,281,000	2,332,800	+ 500	*	- 51,300	- 2.2
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	277,400	273,700	269,000	+ 3,700	+ 1.4	+ 8,400	+ 3.1
Unemployment, Total	282,000	295,600	271,800	- 13,600	- 4.6	+ 10,200	+ 3.8
State Unadjusted Rate	9.8	10.2	9.3	- 0.4	xxx	+ 0.5	xxx
National Rate (Unadjusted)	10.8	11.3	9.5	- 0.5	xxx	+ 1.3	xxx
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.3	10.4	9.0	- 0.1	xxx	+ 1.3	xxx

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.

2/ Preliminary estimates.

3/ Revised estimates.

4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.

5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

* Less than 0.05 percent.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED RISE: From mid-February, 1983, to mid-March, 1983, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees edged upward by 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to $6.61. Also, that figure represented a net yearly increase of 36¢ an hour (+5.8 percent). The durable goods sector remained constant at $6.78 over the month but did show a net over-the-year gain of 32¢ an hour (+5.0 percent). The durable goods industry which recorded the largest net monthly growth was fabricated metal products, up by 8¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to hit $7.47. That was closely followed by electrical machinery, which experienced a net over-the-month increase of 7¢ an hour (+0.9 percent) to reach $7.82 this March. The nondurable goods sector inched forward over the month by only 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to reach $6.52 in March, 1983. Once again tobacco manufacturing was the leading nondurable goods industry with a net monthly jump of 41¢ an hour (+3.7 percent) to attain a level of $11.39 in March. A distant second but still with a good increase was rubber and plastic products, up by 18¢ an hour (+2.2 percent) over the month to hit $8.40. From the middle of February to the middle of March, 1983, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers rose by $6.71 (+2.7 percent) to $257.13. Moreover, that was a net yearly gain of $23.38 (+10.0 percent). Average weekly hours, which stood at 38.9 in March, 1983, were up by 0.9 of an hour over the month and by 1.5 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP SLIGHTLY IN MARCH: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index (cost of living) for all urban consumers rose to 293.4 in March, 1983. That figure represented a monthly increase of just 0.1 percent and a yearly gain of only 3.6 percent. Apparel and upkeep experienced the largest over-the-month surge of the principal categories, up by 1.3 percent. The cost of food and beverages and entertainment followed with a monthly gain of 0.6 percent. The only main group to register an over-the-month decline was transportation, down by 0.9 percent; however, housing did remain constant. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $293.40 in March, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK IS BRIGHT: From the middle of March to the middle of May of this year, North Carolina's total employment is expected to increase significantly. One of the contributing factors to this growth will be the continued seasonal rise in agricultural employment. During this two-month period, it should jump by well over 18,000 workers as farm activities accelerate. Also, additional seasonal improvements are likely in the following nonmanufacturing industries: construction, trade, and service and miscellaneous. Unemployment levels are expected to decline further in April and May, until the annual flood of school graduates and summer job seekers hits the job market in late May and early June.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS CONTINUES TO FALL: There were 185,093 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of March 31, 1983. That was a net monthly decline of 1,620 persons (-0.9 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine year olds represented the largest active applicant group by age with 113,923 or 61.6 percent of the total. A distant second was the forty to fifty-four age segment which numbered 33,278 or 18.0 percent. As expected, the fifty-five and over sector contained the fewest applicants with only 11,518 or 6.2 percent of the total. Most of the active applicants were male: 98,521 or 53.2 percent of the total. Also, whites (not including Hispanics) made up the largest ethnic group: 116,227 or 62.8 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file at the end of March, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

March 31, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	185,093	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,374	14.2
22-39	113,923	61.6
40-54	33,278	18.0
55 and Over	11,518	6.2
Sex		
Male	98,521	53.2
Female	86,572	46.8
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	116,227	62.8
Black (not Hispanic)	65,113	35.2
Hispanic	616	0.3
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,099	1.1
Other Races and Undetermined	1,038	0.6
Eligible Claimant	94,899	51.3
Veteran	30,957	16.7
Handicapped	11,522	6.2
Welfare	16,923	9.1
Seasonal Farmworker	1,236	0.7

JOB OPENINGS RISE IN MARCH: There were 14,915 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during the month of March, 1983. That figure represented a net over-the-month increase of 4,042 (+37.2 percent). A good percentage of those was filled (72.7 percent or 10,841 jobs). Service was the category with the largest number of job openings received in March with 2,633. Most of those (1,891 or 71.8 percent) were filled. Closely following service was the clerical group with 2,324 job openings received and 1,550 or 66.7 percent filled. Structural work occupations just barely edged out bench work occupations for third place with 1,760 received, 1,367 or 77.7 percent of which were filled. Again this month, processing had the fewest job openings received with just 534, but a high percentage of those was filled (86.3 percent or 461 jobs). From October 1, 1982, through March 31, 1983, there have been 70,958 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Of that total, 56,894 or 80.2 percent have been filled. As of March 31, 1983, there were 7,250 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. A rather large percentage of those (44.1 percent) has remained open for thirty days or more and, therefore, should be classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on North Carolina's job openings in March, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	March, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of March 31, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	784	318	3,768	1,688	921	505
Clerical	2,324	1,550	10,038	7,196	1,226	526
Sales	750	419	3,881	2,625	576	270
Service	2,633	1,891	11,737	9,269	1,257	492
Domestic	257	229	1,275	1,125	30	12
Other Services	2,376	1,662	10,462	8,144	1,227	480
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	1,353	1,217	11,024	10,745	120	39
Processing	534	461	2,445	2,204	175	83
Machine Trades	1,325	810	5,128	3,684	749	307
Bench Work	1,757	1,438	7,441	6,409	972	509
Structural Work	1,760	1,367	8,024	6,536	756	316
Miscellaneous	1,695	1,370	7,472	6,538	498	152
Motor Freight & Trans.	381	236	1,733	1,257	166	43
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,219	1,079	5,414	5,079	280	87
Other	95	55	325	202	52	22
Total	14,915	10,841	70,958	56,894	7,250	3,199

1/ October 1, 1982, through March 31, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1983 (Thous)	February 1983 (Thous)	March 1982 (Thous)	February 1983	March 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,318.7	2,310.0	2,344.3	+ 0.4	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	762.9	761.6	785.9	+ 0.2	- 2.9
DURABLE GOODS	284.0	283.2	297.3	+ 0.3	- 4.5
Lumber & Wood Products	31.1	31.1	30.8	-0-	+ 1.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.6	11.6	11.7	-0-	- 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.1	-0-	+ 7.0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.2	3.0	3.1	+ 6.7	+ 3.2
Furniture & Fixtures	78.2	77.2	79.5	+ 1.3	- 1.6
Household Furniture	70.2	69.0	70.7	+ 1.7	- 0.7
Wood Household Furniture	36.2	35.3	36.8	+ 2.5	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.0	28.7	29.1	+ 1.0	- 0.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.2	15.0	15.8	+ 1.3	- 3.8
Structural Clay Products	1.8	1.6	1.6	+ 12.5	+ 12.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.3	4.2	4.2	+ 2.4	+ 2.4
Primary Metal Industries	8.2	8.1	8.8	+ 1.2	- 6.8
Fabricated Metal Products	22.8	23.0	25.3	- 0.9	- 9.9
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.4	9.6	10.0	- 2.1	- 6.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	48.9	49.0	50.8	- 0.2	- 3.7
Special Industry Machinery	6.4	6.4	7.5	-0-	- 14.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	50.4	50.7	55.4	- 0.6	- 9.0
Household Appliances	4.9	5.0	5.4	- 2.0	- 9.3
Transportation Equipment	15.2	15.1	16.2	+ 0.7	- 6.2
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.0	14.0	14.7	-0-	- 4.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	478.9	478.4	488.6	+ 0.1	- 2.0
Food & Kindred Products	41.9	41.2	42.4	+ 1.7	- 1.2
Meat Products	16.9	16.4	16.8	+ 3.0	+ 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.9	2.7	2.7	+ 7.4	+ 7.4
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	2.9	-0-	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	-0-	-0-
Bakery Products	7.9	7.8	7.7	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.4	6.4	6.7	-0-	- 4.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	22.7	23.8	23.7	- 4.6	- 4.2
Cigarettes	19.5	19.7	19.8	- 1.0	- 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.5	3.5	3.2	- 28.6	- 21.9
Textile Mill Products	218.8	217.4	223.1	+ 0.6	- 1.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.8	62.6	65.7	+ 0.3	- 4.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.6	33.7	35.7	- 0.3	- 5.9
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.0	28.7	29.7	+ 1.0	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	73.0	72.4	74.0	+ 0.8	- 1.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.8	21.7	21.1	+ 0.5	+ 3.3
Hosiery, NEC	21.0	20.5	21.8	+ 2.4	- 3.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.4	15.2	15.0	+ 1.3	+ 2.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.7	6.7	+ 1.8	- 13.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.0	14.8	14.3	+ 1.4	+ 4.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.1	54.8	55.6	+ 0.5	- 0.9

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1983 (Thous)	February 1983 (Thous)	March 1982 (Thous)	February 1983	March 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.8	86.5	84.9	- 0.8	+ 1.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.4	27.2	26.8	- 2.9	- 1.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.8	41.9	41.2	- 0.2	+ 1.5
Paper & Allied Products	21.8	21.9	21.9	- 0.5	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.9	11.2	- 0.9	- 3.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.3	6.4	-0-	- 1.6
Printing & Publishing	21.7	21.6	21.7	+ 0.5	-0-
Newspapers	8.4	8.4	8.5	-0-	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.1	35.8	39.2	+ 0.8	- 7.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.5	16.1	+ 0.7	- 15.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.7	24.7	25.7	-0-	- 3.9
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.4	5.5	6.0	- 1.8	- 10.0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,555.8	1,548.4	1,558.4	+ 0.5	- 0.2
MINING	4.7	4.6	4.7	+ 2.2	-0-
CONSTRUCTION	95.2	93.8	104.7	+ 1.5	- 9.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.1	113.1	115.7	-0-	- 2.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	54.3	54.3	55.6	-0-	- 2.3
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.7	53.6	54.3	+ 0.2	- 1.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	468.6	466.8	469.9	+ 0.4	- 0.3
Wholesale Trade	123.6	123.4	124.6	+ 0.2	- 0.8
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.0	71.7	72.9	+ 0.4	- 1.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.6	51.7	51.7	- 0.2	- 0.2
Retail Trade	345.0	343.4	345.3	+ 0.5	- 0.09
General Merchandise Stores	50.9	51.2	51.1	- 0.6	- 0.4
Variety Stores	12.5	12.4	12.1	+ 0.8	+ 3.3
Food Stores	57.4	57.3	57.0	+ 0.2	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.2	98.0	97.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	364.2	361.1	354.6	+ 0.9	+ 2.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	19.2	18.4	17.9	+ 4.3	+ 7.3
Personal Services	24.3	24.4	23.8	- 0.4	+ 2.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	9.9	-0-	-0-
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	411.8	411.0	411.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.07
Federal	48.6	48.8	48.0	- 0.4	+ 1.3
State	123.9	123.5	123.4	+ 0.3	+ 0.4
Education	65.6	65.5	65.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.5
Other	58.3	58.0	58.1	+ 0.5	+ 0.3
Local	239.3	238.7	240.1	+ 0.3	- 0.3
Education	138.1	137.4	138.3	+ 0.5	- 0.1
Other	101.2	101.3	101.8	- 0.1	- 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agric. Services; Forestry, & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

MARCH, 1983

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1983 (Thous.)	February 1983 (Thous.)	March 1982 (Thous.)	February 1983	March 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,326.4	2,330.3	2,352.3	- 0.2	- 1.1
MANUFACTURING	763.4	764.4	786.4	- 0.1	- 2.9
DURABLE GOODS	283.5	284.1	296.7	- 0.2	- 4.4
Lumber & Wood Products	31.1	31.5	30.8	- 1.3	+ 1.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.5	11.7	11.6	- 1.7	- 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.1	0	+ 7.0
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.3	3.1	3.2	+ 6.5	+ 3.1
Furniture & Fixtures	77.5	76.7	78.8	+ 1.0	- 1.6
Household Furniture	69.5	68.5	70.0	+ 1.5	- 0.7
Wood Household Furniture	35.9	35.1	36.5	+ 2.3	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	28.9	28.6	29.0	+ 1.0	- 0.3
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.3	15.3	15.9	0	- 3.8
Structural Clay Products	1.9	1.7	1.7	+ 11.8	+ 11.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.4	4.3	0	+ 2.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.1	8.1	8.7	0	- 6.9
Fabricated Metal Products	22.8	23.0	25.3	- 0.9	- 9.9
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.4	9.6	10.1	- 2.1	- 6.9
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	48.8	48.9	50.6	- 0.2	- 3.6
Special Industry Machinery	6.3	6.4	7.4	- 1.6	- 14.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	50.7	51.4	55.7	- 1.4	- 9.0
Household Appliances	4.9	5.3	5.7	- 7.5	- 14.0
Transportation Equipment	15.3	15.2	16.3	+ 0.7	- 6.1
Other Durable Goods 2/	13.9	14.0	14.6	- 0.7	- 4.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	479.9	480.3	489.7	- 0.1	- 2.0
Food & Kindred Products	42.5	42.1	43.0	+ 1.0	- 1.2
Meat Products	16.9	16.3	16.8	+ 3.7	+ 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	3.0	2.8	2.8	+ 7.1	+ 7.1
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	8.0	7.9	7.8	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.8	0	- 4.4
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.7	24.8	25.8	- 0.4	- 4.3
Cigarettes	19.7	19.7	20.0	0	- 1.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.9	4.3	5.0	- 9.3	- 22.0
Textile Mill Products	217.5	217.0	221.8	+ 0.2	- 1.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	62.4	62.5	65.3	- 0.2	- 4.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.5	33.6	35.6	- 0.3	- 5.9
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	28.8	28.8	29.5	0	- 2.4
Knitting Mills	72.6	72.5	73.6	+ 0.1	- 1.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	21.8	21.7	21.1	+ 0.5	+ 3.3
Hosiery, NEC	20.9	20.6	21.7	+ 1.5	- 3.7
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.2	15.2	14.8	0	+ 2.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.7	5.7	6.6	0	- 13.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.7	14.7	14.0	0	+ 5.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.0	54.5	55.5	+ 0.9	- 0.9

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

MARCH, 1983

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1983 (Thous.)	February 1983 (Thous.)	March 1982 (Thous.)	February 1983	March 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	85.8	86.7	84.9	- 1.0	+ 1.1
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.7	27.1	27.1	- 1.5	- 1.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.7	42.0	41.1	- 0.7	+ 1.5
Paper & Allied Products	21.8	21.9	21.9	- 0.5	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	11.0	11.3	- 0.9	- 3.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.3	6.4	0	- 1.6
Printing & Publishing	21.5	21.5	21.5	0	0
Newspapers	8.4	8.4	8.5	0	- 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.9	35.9	39.0	0	- 7.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	16.1	0	- 13.7
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	24.8	24.9	25.8	- 0.4	- 3.9
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.4	5.5	6.0	- 1.8	- 10.0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,563.0	1,565.9	1,565.9	- 0.2	- 0.2
MINING	4.8	4.7	4.8	+ 2.1	0
CONSTRUCTION	99.5	101.2	109.4	- 1.7	- 9.0
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.8	114.2	116.4	- 0.4	- 2.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	54.6	55.0	55.9	- 0.7	- 1.8
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.0	54.7	+ 0.2	- 11.0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	476.6	477.4	477.9	- 0.2	- 0.3
Wholesale Trade	125.3	125.6	126.3	- 0.2	- 0.8
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.0	72.0	72.9	0	- 1.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.3	53.6	53.4	- 0.6	- 0.2
Retail Trade	351.3	351.8	351.6	- 0.1	- 0.1
General Merchandise Stores	53.1	53.8	53.3	- 1.3	- 0.4
Variety Stores	13.0	13.1	12.6	- 0.8	+ 3.2
Food Stores	57.7	57.9	57.3	- 0.3	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.0	99.0	98.1	0	+ 0.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	368.6	267.7	358.9	+ 0.2	+ 2.7
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.5	21.1	20.0	+ 1.9	+ 7.5
Personal Services	23.7	23.8	23.2	- 0.4	+ 2.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	10.1	10.1	10.1	0	0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	400.7	401.7	400.4	- 0.2	+ 0.1
Federal	48.9	49.3	48.3	- 0.8	+ 1.2
State	120.0	120.4	119.5	- 0.3	+ 0.4
Education	61.3	61.9	61.0	- 1.0	+ 0.5
Other	58.7	58.5	58.5	+ 0.3	+ 0.3
Local	231.8	232.0	232.6	- 0.1	- 0.3
Education	129.8	129.3	130.0	+ 0.4	- 0.2
Other	102.0	102.7	102.6	- 0.7	- 0.6

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, Except Domestic; Agric. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

March, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	February 1983	March 1982
MANUFACTURING	604.4	603.0	625.1	+ 0.2	- 3.3
DURABLE GOODS	213.0	212.2	225.5	+ 0.4	- 5.5
Lumber & Wood Products	26.7	26.7	26.6	0	+ 0.4
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.7	6.7	6.2	0	+ 8.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	2.7	2.5	2.5	+ 8.0	+ 8.0
Furniture & Fixtures	69.3	68.2	70.3	+ 1.6	- 1.4
Household Furniture	62.9	61.6	63.1	+ 2.1	- 0.3
Wood Household Furniture	33.2	32.3	33.8	+ 2.8	- 1.8
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.0	11.8	12.5	+ 1.7	- 4.0
Structural Clay Products	1.3	1.2	1.1	+ 8.3	+18.2
Primary Metal Industries	5.8	5.7	6.4	+ 1.8	- 9.4
Fabricated Metal Products	16.4	16.6	18.1	- 1.2	- 9.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	24.5	24.7	27.4	- 0.8	-10.6
Special Industry Machinery	4.1	4.1	5.1	0	-19.6
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	35.2	35.5	39.9	- 0.8	-11.8
Household Appliances	4.3	4.3	4.7	0	- 8.5
Transportation Equipment	12.2	12.1	12.9	+ 0.8	- 5.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	391.4	390.8	399.6	+ 0.2	- 2.1
Food & Kindred Products	28.3	27.6	28.8	+ 2.5	- 1.7
Meat Products	14.4	14.0	14.3	+ 2.9	+ 0.7
Meat Packing	2.1	2.0	1.9	+ 5.0	+10.5
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.5	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.7	1.7	0	0
Bakery Products	4.5	4.5	4.5	0	0
Beverages	2.5	2.5	2.8	0	-10.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	18.0	19.2	19.2	- 6.2	- 6.2
Cigarettes	15.6	15.8	16.1	- 1.3	- 3.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.8	2.8	2.5	-35.7	-28.0
Textile Mill Products	194.0	192.6	197.8	+ 0.7	- 1.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	56.0	55.9	58.7	+ 0.2	- 4.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	29.9	30.0	31.9	- 0.3	- 6.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.0	25.8	26.6	+ 0.8	- 2.3
Knitting Mills	63.8	63.2	64.7	+ 0.9	- 1.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.2	19.1	18.6	+ 0.5	+ 3.2
Hosiery, NEC	19.3	18.9	20.1	+ 2.1	- 4.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.1	12.9	12.7	+ 1.6	+ 3.1
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	4.9	4.8	5.7	+ 2.1	-14.0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.6	12.4	11.9	+ 1.6	+ 5.9
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.7	50.3	51.2	+ 0.8	- 1.0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.0	74.6	73.2	- 0.8	+ 1.1
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	22.6	23.4	23.0	- 3.4	- 1.7
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.1	36.2	35.5	- 0.3	+ 1.7
Paper & Allied Products	16.6	16.6	16.6	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	8.0	8.0	8.2	0	- 2.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.9	4.9	4.9	0	0
Printing & Publishing	13.2	13.2	13.2	0	0
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.4	23.0	25.6	+ 1.7	- 8.6
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.4	9.3	11.2	+ 1.1	-16.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	19.3	19.3	20.1	0	- 4.0
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.6	4.7	5.1	- 2.1	- 9.8

1/ Current data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products
Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

March, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982	March 1983	February 1983	March 1982
MANUFACTURING	$257.13	$250.42	$233.75	38.9	38.0	37.4	$ 6.61	$ 6.59	$ 6.25
DURABLE GOODS	261.71	254.25	245.48	38.6	37.5	38.0	6.78	6.78	6.46
Lumber & Wood Products	220.13	214.88	198.59	39.1	38.1	37.4	5.63	5.64	5.31
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	212.74	206.64	191.52	38.4	37.3	36.0	5.54	5.54	5.32
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	248.75	256.41	213.28	39.8	38.5	34.4	6.25	6.66	6.20
Furniture & Fixtures	213.01	200.45	197.38	36.6	34.8	35.5	5.82	5.76	5.56
Household Furniture	212.65	201.25	194.50	36.6	35.0	35.3	5.81	5.75	5.51
Wood Household Furniture	213.92	200.72	194.88	38.2	36.1	36.7	5.60	5.56	5.31
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	290.39	274.78	269.88	40.5	37.9	39.0	7.17	7.25	6.92
Structural Clay Products	231.90	213.93	207.76	40.9	37.4	37.1	5.67	5.72	5.60
Primary Metal Industries	329.04	320.32	286.88	42.9	41.6	39.9	7.67	7.70	7.19
Fabricated Metal Products	293.57	288.95	269.69	39.3	39.1	38.2	7.47	7.39	7.06
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	316.41	306.87	300.94	39.7	38.6	41.0	7.97	7.95	7.34
Special Industry Machinery	281.97	272.31	257.09	39.0	38.3	38.2	7.23	7.11	6.73
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	301.07	299.15	305.56	38.5	38.6	40.1	7.82	7.75	7.62
Household Appliances	221.40	228.69	221.86	36.0	37.8	37.1	6.15	6.05	5.98
Transportation Equipment	300.77	302.54	262.43	40.7	40.5	38.2	7.39	7.47	6.87
NONDURABLE GOODS	254.93	248.30	228.04	39.1	38.2	37.2	6.52	6.50	6.13
Food & Kindred Products	236.68	231.04	212.63	38.8	38.0	36.1	6.10	6.08	5.89
Meat Products	194.83	183.05	164.30	36.9	35.0	32.6	5.28	5.23	5.04
Meat Packing	324.24	307.53	298.39	42.0	40.2	41.5	7.72	7.65	7.19
Dairy Products	258.88	253.95	245.76	42.3	41.7	42.3	6.12	6.09	5.81
Grain Mill Products	280.80	280.37	266.04	43.2	43.2	43.4	6.50	6.49	6.13
Bakery Products	267.10	269.61	228.38	42.6	43.0	37.5	6.27	6.27	6.09
Beverages	406.55	391.98	408.00	41.4	41.7	42.5	9.82	9.40	9.60
Tobacco Manufacturers	412.32	362.34	371.35	36.2	33.0	36.3	11.39	10.98	10.23
Cigarettes	444.81	402.78	404.80	36.4	32.8	36.6	12.22	12.28	11.06
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	168.96	253.57	164.08	35.2	33.9	33.9	4.80	4.53	4.84
Textile Mill Products	239.00	234.00	205.89	39.9	39.0	36.7	5.99	6.00	5.61
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	259.64	255.71	212.28	39.7	39.1	34.8	6.54	6.54	6.10
Weaving Mills, Cotton	258.06	255.45	209.92	39.1	39.0	34.3	6.60	6.55	6.12
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	260.98	255.58	215.23	40.4	39.2	35.4	6.46	6.52	6.08
Knitting Mills	216.33	210.74	197.58	38.7	37.7	37.0	5.59	5.59	5.34
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	203.18	194.18	191.76	38.7	37.2	37.6	5.25	5.22	5.10
Hosiery, NEC	205.90	200.72	176.99	37.3	36.1	34.3	5.52	5.56	5.16
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	241.47	251.54	234.26	39.2	40.9	40.6	6.16	6.15	5.77
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	272.59	251.51	233.43	43.2	40.5	39.1	6.31	6.21	5.97
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	270.92	257.00	246.38	42.2	40.6	41.2	6.42	6.33	5.98
Yarn & Thread Mills	236.49	230.04	199.23	41.2	39.8	37.1	5.74	5.78	5.37
Apparel & Other Textile Products	175.68	171.96	167.19	36.6	35.9	35.8	4.80	4.79	4.67
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	176.00	174.31	165.60	35.7	35.5	34.5	4.93	4.91	4.80
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	165.17	162.59	161.45	36.3	35.5	36.2	4.55	4.58	4.46
Paper & Allied Products	425.70	424.20	383.46	42.4	42.0	41.5	10.04	10.10	9.24
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	508.36	573.92	464.02	43.9	44.0	43.9	11.58	11.68	10.57
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	302.43	286.16	258.96	41.6	39.8	39.0	7.27	7.19	6.64
Printing & Publishing	284.02	272.46	264.13	38.8	38.0	38.9	7.32	7.17	6.79
Newspapers	256.28	253.55	249.09	33.5	33.1	34.5	7.65	7.66	7.22
Chemicals & Allied Products	345.72	350.38	316.00	40.2	40.6	40.0	8.60	8.63	7.90
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	386.75	398.27	354.84	41.1	42.1	40.6	9.41	9.46	8.74
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	341.04	318.11	308.39	40.6	38.7	40.9	8.40	8.22	7.54
MINING	280.42	263.78	287.64	40.7	37.9	42.3	6.89	6.96	6.80
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	402.38	403.56	370.87	40.4	40.6	40.4	9.96	9.94	9.18
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.81	193.89	198.49	33.7	33.2	34.4	5.84	5.84	5.77
Wholesale Trade	268.41	263.81	256.08	38.9	38.4	38.8	6.90	6.87	6.60
Retail Trade	164.01	161.70	173.88	31.3	30.8	32.5	5.24	5.25	5.35
General Merchandise Stores	145.26	141.12	138.06	30.2	29.4	29.5	4.81	4.80	4.68
Variety Stores	114.07	109.89	124.34	30.5	29.7	31.4	3.74	3.70	3.96
Food Stores	186.71	187.57	184.96	31.7	31.9	32.0	5.89	5.88	5.78
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	130.41	121.70	125.15	31.5	28.5	30.9	4.14	4.27	4.05
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	168.35	160.61	160.76	35.0	33.6	35.1	4.81	4.78	4.58

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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APRIL, 1983

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April, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS NOTICEABLE GAIN: North Carolina's total employment experienced good growth of 33,300 persons (+1.3 percent) over the month to achieve an April, 1983, level of 2,643,400. All three of the major employment categories displayed monthly increases. The "all other" nonagricultural employment segment recorded the smallest net gain of 3,100 people (+1.1 percent). Agriculture followed with monthly seasonal growth of 11,500 workers (+23.0 percent). Nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) led the way with the net over-the-month addition of 18,700 workers.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: From the middle of March, 1983, to the middle of April, 1983, the State's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) gained 3,700 people (+0.5 percent) to reach 767,700. The durable goods sector rose by 1,200 workers (+0.4 percent) as all industry groups except one either remained stable or showed improvement. Furniture and fixtures experienced the largest net monthly employment gain, up by 1,000 people (+1.3 percent) due primarily to recalls. Electrical machinery suffered the only net over-the-month decline in durable goods, falling by 1,400 persons (-2.7 percent) due mainly to temporary layoffs. The nondurable goods sector added 2,500 workers (+0.5 percent) over the month as the majority of the industry groups exhibited growth. General gains throughout the industry caused textile mill products to experience the largest net monthly increase of 1,900 workers (+0.9 percent). Conversely, tobacco manufacturing employment experienced the largest net monthly loss in nondurable goods, declining by 1,100 (-4.8 percent) due to seasonal cutbacks.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT ADVANCES IN APRIL: Nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina was estimated to be 1,569,600 in mid-April, 1983, a net monthly gain of 13,500 workers (+0.9 percent). All of the nonmanufacturing industry groups except mining (which remained unchanged) enjoyed increases in employment. The three industry groups which experienced the largest growth were construction, +3,300; trade, +4,500; and service and miscellaneous, +5,100. Strong seasonal factors were evident in those gains.

MANUFACTURING DOWN BUT NONMANUFACTURING UP OVER THE YEAR: The State's manufacturing employment continues to come up short when compared to one year ago. Employment in April, 1983 was 19,800 (-2.5 percent) below that of April, 1982. Employment in several industry groups continues to be below the 1982 level: furniture and fixtures, -1,000; nonelectrical machinery, -1,300; tobacco manufacturing, -1,500; fabricated metals, -2,200; chemicals and allied, -2,400; electrical machinery, -4,400; and textile mill products, -5,600. On the other hand, nonmanufacturing employment registered a gain of 3,800 workers (+0.2 percent) over the year. Three industry groups showed improvement; finance, insurance, and real estate, +900; government, +1,900; and service and miscellaneous, +10,600. The nonmanufacturing industry sustaining the largest yearly loss was construction, down by 7,200 people (-6.8 percent).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO DECLINE: From the middle of March, 1983, to the middle of April, 1983, the State's total unemployment dropped by 29,600 persons (-10.5 percent) to 252,300. As a result, North Carolina's unadjusted rate of unemployment decreased from 9.7 percent (revised) in March to 8.7 percent in April. However, conditions were still better twelve months ago (April, 1982) when 241,300 people were jobless and the rate was 8.3 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.0 percent in April, 1983, 10.8 percent in March, 1983, and 9.2 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.2 percent this April, 10.3 percent in March, and 9.3 percent in April of 1982.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/
April, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	April 2/ 1983	March 3/ 1983	April 1982	March, 1983		April, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,895,700	2,892,000	2,920,800	+ 3,700	+ 0.1	- 25,100	- 0.9
Employment, Total	2,643,400	2,610,100	2,679,500	+ 33,300	+ 1.3	- 36,100	- 1.3
Agricultural Employment	61,400	49,900	66,000	+ 11,500	+23.0	- 4,600	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,301,300	2,282,600	2,341,300	+ 18,700	+ 0.8	- 40,000	- 1.7
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	280,700	277,600	272,200	+ 3,100	+ 1.1	+ 8,500	+ 3.1
Unemployment, Total	252,300	281,900	241,300	- 29,600	-10.5	+ 11,000	+ 4.6
State Unadjusted Rate	8.7	9.7	8.3	- 1.0	XXX	+ 0.4	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	10.0	10.8	9.2	- 0.8	XXX	+ 0.8	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.2	10.3	9.3	- 0.1	XXX	+ 0.9	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED CONTINUE TO RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers increased by 3¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) to $6.66 from the middle of March, 1983, to the middle of April, 1983. Moreover, that was a net over-the-year gain of 38¢ an hour (+6.1 percent). The durable goods segment also advanced by 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) from March to April with the April level of $6.83 being 36¢ an hour (+5.6 percent) above one year ago. Stone, clay, and glass products was the durable goods industry which enjoyed the largest net monthly increase, rising by 14¢ an hour (+2.0 percent) to reach $7.28. Machinery, except electrical, was next with net over-the-month movement of 10¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) to hit $8.04 in April of this year. The nondurable goods segment also added 3¢ an hour (+0.5 percent) over the month. The April, 1983, average of $6.57 was 40¢ an hour (+6.5 percent) more than twelve months ago. Tobacco manufacturing again led the way in nondurables with a net over-the-month surge of 17¢ an hour (+1.5 percent) to average $11.56. Food and kindred products followed with a net monthly gain of 10¢ an hour (+1.6 percent) for an April, 1983, average of $6.18. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees increased by $6.50 (+2.5 percent) to $265.07 from mid-March, 1983, to mid-April, 1983. Furthermore, that was a net over-the-year rise of $30.83 (+13.2 percent). In April, 1983, the average of the weekly hours worked was 39.8, which was a monthly increase of 0.8 of an hour and a yearly gain of 2.5 hours.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX RISES OVER THE MONTH: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers climbed to 295.5 in April, 1983, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was an over-the-month jump of 0.7 percent and an over-the-year increase of 3.9 percent. The only main group which did not exhibit a monthly rise was entertainment, staying constant. The cost of transportation rose the most over the month, surging by 1.7 percent. Four other principal categories were next, each with a monthly gain of 0.5 percent. Those were food and beverages, housing, apparel and upkeep, and "other" goods and services. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, was $33.8¢ in April, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT EXPECTED TO INCREASE: It is anticipated that total employment in the State will grow during May and June of this year. Agricultural employment should continue its seasonal progress during this period, gaining more than 20,000 people from the middle of April, 1983, to the middle of June, 1983. Moreover, construction, trade, and service and miscellaneous will probably experience seasonal growth. By late May and early June, unemployment may increase due to the yearly influx into the labor force of school graduates and summer job seekers.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS DECLINES OVER THE MONTH: As of April 30, 1983, there were 178,747 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a net over-the-month drop of 6,346 people (-3.4 percent). Once again the largest active applicant group by age was the twenty-two to thirty-nine sector with 109,155 or 61.1 percent of the total. The forty to fifty-four year olds came next with 31,848 or 17.8 percent. The smallest applicant segment by age was fifty-five and over which numbered 10,948 or just 6.1 percent of the total. Males comprised the majority of the active applicants, numbering 93,784 or 52.5 percent of the total. The ethnic group with the most active applicants was white (not Hispanic) which had 110,788 or 62.0 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of April 30, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE
April 30, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	178,747	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	26,796	15.0
22-39	109,155	61.1
40-54	31,848	17.8
55 and Over	10,948	6.1
Sex		
Male	93,784	52.5
Female	84,963	47.5
Ethnic Group		
White (not Hispanic)	110,788	62.0
Black (not Hispanic)	64,297	36.0
Hispanic	673	0.4
American Indian and Alaskan Native	1,996	1.1
Other Races and Undetermined	993	0.5
Eligible Claimant	86,915	48.6
Veteran	29,157	16.3
Handicapped	11,111	6.2
Welfare	17,231	9.6
Seasonal Farmworker	1,291	0.7

JOB OPENINGS FALL IN APRIL: During the month of April, 1983, there were 13,525 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina--a net monthly decrease of 1,390 (-9.3 percent). Most of those jobs were filled (10,251 or 75.8 percent). The occupational category representing the largest number of job openings received in April was service with 2,439 and 1,773 or 71.8 percent were filled. The clerical category was next with 1,960 job openings received and 1,381 or 70.5 percent filled. A fairly close third was structural works in which 1,898 job openings were received. Most of those were also filled (1,407 or 74.1 percent). Processing continues to have the smallest number of job openings received--only 437 in April; however, an excellent percentage of those was filled (87.2 percent or 381 jobs). There have been 84,483 job openings received by the Job Service offices in the State from October 1, 1982, through April 30, 1983. Furthermore, most of those have been filled (67,145 or 79.5 percent). There were 7,773 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of April 30, 1983. A little more than half of those (51.1 percent) should be classified as hard-to-fill due to remaining open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on Statewide job openings in April, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	April, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of April 30, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	666	307	4,434	1,995	944	590
Clerical	1,960	1,381	11,998	8,577	1,253	618
Sales	543	308	4,424	2,933	560	315
Service	2,439	1,773	14,176	11,042	1,442	666
Domestic	276	221	1,551	1,346	68	28
Other Services	2,163	1,552	12,625	9,696	1,374	638
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	1,344	1,278	12,368	12,023	110	49
Processing	437	381	2,882	2,585	177	98
Machine Trades	1,231	850	6,359	4,534	873	463
Bench Work	1,436	1,278	8,877	7,687	942	554
Structural Work	1,898	1,407	9,922	7,943	915	398
Micsellaneous	1,571	1,288	9,043	7,826	557	223
Motor Freight & Trans.	411	277	2,144	1,534	196	68
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,080	964	6,494	6,043	291	122
Other	80	47	405	249	70	33
Total	13,525	10,251	84,483	67,145	7,773	3,974

1/ October 1, 1982, through April 30, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1983 (Thous)	March 1983 (Thous)	April 1982 (Thous)	March 1983	April 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2337.3	2320.1	2353.3	+ 0.7	- 0.7
MANUFACTURING	767.7	764.0	787.5	+ 0.5	- 2.5
DURABLE GOODS	285.8	284.6	295.6	+ 0.4	- 3.3
Lumber & Wood Products	31.7	31.1	31.0	+ 1.9	+ 2.3
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.6	11.5	11.8	+ 0.9	- 1.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.2	-	- 5.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.3	3.1	+ 9.1	+ 16.1
Furniture & Fixtures	79.2	78.2	80.2	+ 1.3	- 1.2
Household Furniture	71.1	70.1	71.4	+ 1.4	- 0.4
Wood Household Furniture	37.2	36.2	37.8	+ 2.8	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.1	29.0	28.8	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.6	15.2	15.7	+ 2.6	- 0.6
Structural Clay Products	1.9	1.7	1.6	+ 11.8	+ 18.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.3	4.3	+ 2.3	+ 2.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.2	8.2	8.8	0	- 6.8
Fabricated Metal Products	22.8	22.8	25.0	0	- 8.8
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.3	9.4	10.0	- 1.1	- 7.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.1	48.8	50.4	+ 0.6	- 2.6
Special Industry Machinery	6.4	6.4	7.2	0	- 11.1
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.6	51.0	54.0	- 2.7	- 8.1
Household Appliances	3.9	5.4	4.1	- 27.8	- 4.9
Transportation Equipment	15.4	15.2	15.8	+ 1.3	- 2.5
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.2	14.1	14.7	+ 0.7	- 3.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	481.9	479.4	491.9	+ 0.5	- 2.0
Food & Kindred Products	42.1	41.8	42.6	+ 0.7	- 1.2
Meat Products	16.6	16.8	16.7	- 1.2	- 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.8	2.7	- 3.6	-
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	3.0	0	6.7
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.5	2.5	- 4.0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.7	0	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.5	6.4	6.7	+ 1.6	+ 3.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.6	22.7	23.1	- 4.8	- 6.5
Cigarettes	18.8	19.5	19.8	- 3.6	- 5.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.1	2.5	2.6	- 16.0	- 19.2
Textile Mill Products	221.4	219.5	227.0	+ 0.9	- 2.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.7	63.3	68.3	+ 0.6	+ 6.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.7	33.6	36.1	+ 0.3	- 6.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.8	29.5	32.0	+ 1.0	- 6.9
Knitting Mills	73.9	73.1	74.0	+ 1.1	- 0.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.1	21.9	20.5	+ 0.9	+ 7.8
Hosiery, NEC	21.2	21.0	21.5	+ 1.0	- 1.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.4	15.3	15.4	+ 0.7	0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.9	5.7	6.9	+ 3.5	- 14.4
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.2	15.0	14.1	+ 1.3	+ 7.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.4	55.2	57.2	+ 0.4	- 3.1

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April, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT April 1983 (Thous)	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT March 1983 (Thous)	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT April 1982 (Thous)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: March 1983	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: April 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.5	85.7	84.9	+ 0.9	+ 1.9
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.8	26.4	27.1	+ 1.5	- 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.0	41.7	41.0	+ 0.7	+ 2.4
Paper & Allied Products	21.6	21.8	21.7	- 0.9	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.8	11.0	0	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	0
Printing & Publishing	21.5	21.6	21.7	- 0.5	- 0.9
Newspapers	8.4	8.4	8.4	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.2	36.0	38.6	+ 0.6	- 6.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	15.8	0	- 13.9
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.4	24.8	26.2	+ 2.4	- 3.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	5.5	6.1	+ 1.8	- 8.2
NONMANUFACTURING	1,569.6	1,556.1	1,565.8	+ 0.9	+ 0.2
MINING	4.7	4.7	4.8	0	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	98.7	95.4	105.9	+ 3.5	- 6.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	113.4	113.1	115.0	+ 0.3	- 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	54.4	54.3	54.8	+ 0.2	- 0.7
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.7	53.5	24.3	+ 0.4	- 1.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	472.7	468.2	473.4	+ 1.0	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade	123.2	123.5	124.1	- 0.2	- 0.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.0	71.9	72.8	+ 0.1	- 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.2	51.6	51.3	- 0.8	- 0.2
Retail Trade	349.5	344.7	349.3	+ 1.4	+ 0.06
General Merchandise Stores	51.1	50.9	51.6	+ 0.4	- 1.0
Variety Stores	12.8	12.5	12.3	+ 2.4	+ 4.1
Food Stores	57.6	57.3	56.9	+ 0.5	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.4	98.2	97.5	+ 0.2	+ 0.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	369.1	364.0	358.5	+ 1.4	+ 3.0
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	20.4	19.2	19.4	+ 6.3	+ 5.2
Personal Services	24.5	24.3	23.6	+ 0.8	+ 3.8
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	412.6	412.5	410.7	+ 0.02	+ 0.5
Federal	48.6	48.7	48.3	- 0.2	+ 0.6
State	125.0	124.3	122.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.0
Education	65.9	65.9	64.4	0	+ 2.3
Other	59.1	58.4	58.1	+ 1.2	+ 1.7
Local	239.0	239.5	239.9	- 0.2	- 0.4
Education	137.7	138.3	138.5	- 0.4	- 0.6
Other	101.3	101.2	101.4	+ 0.1	- 0.1

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1983 (Thous)	March 1983 (Thous)	April 1982 (Thous)	March 1983	April 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,336.1	2,327.8	2,352.3	+ 0.4	- 0.7
MANUFACTURING	770.1	764.5	790.0	+ 0.7	- 2.5
DURABLE GOODS	285.6	284.1	295.3	+ 0.5	- 3.3
Lumber & Wood Products	31.7	31.1	31.0	+ 1.9	+ 2.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.5	11.4	11.7	+ 0.9	- 1.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.6	7.2	0	+ 5.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.6	3.4	3.1	+ 5.9	+ 16.1
Furniture & Fixtures	78.8	77.5	79.8	+ 1.7	- 1.3
Household Furniture	70.6	69.4	70.1	+ 1.7	+ 0.7
Wood Household Furniture	37.1	35.9	37.7	+ 3.3	- 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.0	28.9	28.7	+ 0.3	+ 1.0
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.6	15.3	15.7	+ 2.0	- 0.6
Structural Clay Products	1.9	1.8	1.6	+ 5.6	+ 18.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.4	4.3	0	+ 2.3
Primary Metal Industries	8.2	8.1	8.8	+ 1.2	- 6.8
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	22.8	25.3	+ 1.3	- 8.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.5	9.4	10.2	+ 1.1	- 6.9
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.1	48.7	50.3	+ 0.8	- 2.4
Special Industry Machinery	6.4	6.3	7.2	+ 1.6	- 11.1
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	49.7	51.3	54.1	- 3.1	- 8.1
Household Appliances	4.1	5.7	4.3	- 28.1	- 4.7
Transportation Equipment	15.3	15.3	15.7	0	- 2.5
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.1	14.0	14.6	+ 0.7	- 3.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	484.5	480.4	494.7	+ 0.9	- 2.1
Food & Kindred Products	42.6	42.4	43.1	+ 0.5	- 1.2
Meat Products	16.7	16.8	16.8	- 0.6	- 0.6
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.9	2.7	- 6.9	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.8	3.0	0	- 6.7
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.5	2.5	- 4.0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.0	8.0	7.8	0	+ 2.6
Beverages	6.6	6.5	6.8	+ 1.5	- 2.9
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.8	24.7	25.5	- 3.6	- 6.7
Cigarettes	18.9	19.7	19.9	- 4.1	- 5.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.8	3.9	4.7	- 2.6	- 19.1
Textile Mill Products	221.2	218.2	226.8	+ 1.4	- 2.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	63.6	62.9	68.2	+ 1.1	- 6.7
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.7	33.5	36.1	+ 0.6	- 6.6
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	29.7	29.3	31.9	+ 1.4	- 6.9
Knitting Mills	73.7	72.7	73.8	+ 1.4	- 0.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.1	21.9	20.5	+ 0.9	+ 7.8
Hosiery, NEC	21.1	20.9	21.4	+ 1.0	- 1.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.2	15.1	15.2	+ 0.7	0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.6	6.8	+ 3.6	- 14.7
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.2	14.7	14.1	+ 3.4	+ 7.8
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.3	55.1	57.1	+ 0.4	- 3.2

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1983 (Thous)	March 1983 (Thous)	April 1982 (Thous)	March 1983	April 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	86.8	85.7	85.2	+ 1.3	+ 1.9
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.1	26.7	27.4	+ 1.5	- 1.1
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	41.9	41.6	40.9	+ 0.7	+ 2.4
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.8	21.8	- 0.5	- 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	10.9	11.1	0	- 1.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.3	6.3	6.3	0	0
Printing & Publishing	21.5	21.4	21.7	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Newspapers	8.5	8.4	8.4	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.8	35.8	38.2	0	- 6.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.6	15.7	- 0.7	- 14.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.6	24.9	26.4	+ 2.8	- 3.0
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.5	6.0	0	- 8.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,566.0	1,563.3	1,562.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.2
MINING	4.7	4.8	4.8	- 2.1	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	99.5	99.7	106.8	- 0.2	- 6.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.2	113.8	115.8	+ 0.4	- 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	54.9	54.6	55.4	+ 0.5	- 0.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.0	53.9	54.6	+ 0.2	- 1.1
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	477.6	476.2	478.3	+ 0.3	- 0.1
Wholesale Trade	124.6	125.2	125.5	- 0.5	- 0.7
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.0	71.9	72.8	+ 0.1	- 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.6	53.3	52.7	- 1.3	- 0.2
Retail Trade	353.0	351.0	352.8	+ 0.6	+ 0.1
General Merchandise Stores	52.7	53.1	53.3	- 0.8	- 1.1
Variety Stores	13.1	13.0	12.6	+ 0.8	+ 4.0
Food Stores	58.3	57.6	57.6	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.9	99.0	98.0	- 0.1	+ 0.9
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	369.5	368.4	358.9	+ 0.3	+ 3.0
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.0	21.5	20.0	- 2.3	+ 5.0
Personal Services	23.7	23.7	22.9	0	+ 3.5
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	10.1	10.1	- 2.0	- 2.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	401.6	401.4	399.7	*	+ 0.5
Federal	48.5	49.0	48.2	- 1.0	+ 0.6
State	121.6	120.4	119.2	+ 1.0	+ 2.0
Education	62.1	61.6	60.7	+ 0.8	+ 2.3
Other	59.1	58.8	58.5	+ 1.2	+ 1.7
Local	231.5	232.0	232.3	- 0.2	- 0.3
Education	129.2	130.0	129.9	- 0.6	- 0.5
Other	102.3	102.0	102.4	+ 0.3	- 0.1

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

April, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	April 1983	March 1983	April 1982	March 1983	April 1982
MANUFACTURING	609.8	605.6	626.7	+ 0.7	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	215.0	213.6	223.5	+ 0.7	- 3.8
Lumber & Wood Products	27.4	26.7	26.7	+ 2.6	+ 2.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.7	6.7	6.3	0	+ 6.3
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.1	2.7	2.5	+ 14.8	+ 24.0
Furniture & Fixtures	70.2	69.3	70.9	+ 1.3	- 1.0
Household Furniture	63.9	62.9	63.8	+ 1.6	+ 0.2
Wood Household Furniture	34.3	33.2	34.7	+ 3.3	- 1.2
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.4	12.0	12.4	+ 3.3	0
Structural Clay Products	1.4	1.3	1.1	+ 7.7	+ 27.3
Primary Metal Industries	5.9	5.8	6.3	+ 1.7	- 6.3
Fabricated Metal Products	16.4	16.4	17.9	0	- 8.4
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	24.8	24.5	26.9	+ 1.2	- 7.8
Special Industry Machinery	4.2	4.1	4.9	+ 2.4	- 14.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	34.5	35.8	38.5	- 3.6	- 10.4
Household Appliances	3.2	4.8	3.4	- 33.3	- 5.9
Transportation Equipment	12.3	12.2	12.5	+ 0.8	- 1.6
NONDURABLE GOODS	394.8	392.0	403.2	+ 0.7	- 2.1
Food & Kindred Products	28.5	28.3	29.0	+ 0.7	- 1.7
Meat Products	14.2	14.4	14.3	- 1.4	- 0.7
Meat Packing	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.5	1.5	1.6	0	- 6.2
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.7	1.6	- 5.9	0
Bakery Products	4.6	4.5	4.5	+ 2.2	+ 2.2
Beverages	2.7	2.5	2.8	+ 8.0	- 3.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.0	18.1	18.6	- 6.1	- 8.6
Cigarettes	15.0	15.6	16.1	- 3.8	- 6.8
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.5	1.8	1.9	- 16.7	- 21.1
Textile Mill Products	196.8	194.7	201.7	+ 1.1	- 2.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	57.1	56.6	61.4	+ 0.9	- 7.0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.0	29.9	32.3	+ 0.3	- 7.1
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	26.9	26.6	28.9	+ 1.1	- 6.9
Knitting Mills	64.8	63.9	64.7	+ 1.4	+ 0.2
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.4	19.2	17.9	+ 1.0	+ 8.4
Hosiery, NEC	19.5	19.3	19.7	+ 1.0	- 1.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.2	13.1	13.0	+ 0.8	+ 1.5
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.1	4.9	6.0	+ 4.1	- 15.0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.8	12.7	11.7	+ 0.8	+ 9.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.0	50.7	52.7	+ 0.6	- 3.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	74.6	73.9	73.4	+ 0.9	+ 1.6
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.0	22.6	23.3	+ 1.8	- 1.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.2	36.0	35.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.5
Paper & Allied Products	16.5	16.6	16.5	- 0.6	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.9	8.0	8.2	- 1.2	- 3.7
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	4.9	4.9	4.9	0	0
Printing & Publishing	13.0	13.2	13.1	- 1.5	- 0.8
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.1	0	+ 3.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.5	23.2	25.0	+ 1.3	- 6.0
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.4	9.3	10.9	+ 1.1	- 13.8
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	20.1	19.4	20.6	+ 3.6	- 2.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.8	4.6	5.3	+ 4.3	- 9.4

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

APRIL, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	April 1983	March 1983	April 1982	April 1983	March 1983	April 1982	April 1983	March 1983	April 1982
MANUFACTURING	$265.07	$258.57	$ 234.24	39.8	39.0	37.3	$ 6.66	$ 6.63	$ 6.28
DURABLE GOODS	270.47	263.16	243.27	39.6	38.7	37.6	6.83	6.80	6.47
Lumber & Wood Products	225.52	219.35	199.18	40.2	39.1	37.3	5.61	5.61	5.34
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	216.45	213.79	202.66	39.0	38.8	37.6	5.55	5.51	5.39
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	242.61	253.29	195.60	40.1	39.7	31.6	6.05	6.38	6.19
Furniture & Fixtures	223.06	214.33	195.92	38.0	36.7	35.3	5.87	5.84	5.55
Household Furniture	222.30	213.23	194.30	38.0	36.7	35.2	5.85	5.81	5.52
Wood Household Furniture	220.52	210.92	193.61	39.1	37.8	36.6	5.64	5.58	5.29
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	298.48	288.46	275.58	41.0	40.4	39.7	7.28	7.14	6.94
Structural Clay Products	238.79	236.74	216.84	41.1	41.1	39.0	5.81	5.76	5.56
Primary Metal Industries	329.22	325.80	284.14	42.7	42.7	39.3	7.71	7.63	7.23
Fabricated Metal Products	299.60	297.75	265.18	40.0	39.7	38.1	7.49	7.50	6.96
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	323.21	317.60	290.14	40.2	40.0	39.8	8.04	7.94	7.29
Special Industry Machinery	280.28	279.42	257.94	39.2	39.3	38.1	7.15	7.11	6.77
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	315.21	302.63	303.79	39.9	38.7	39.3	7.90	7.82	7.73
Household Appliances	234.21	222.40	185.93	39.9	36.4	33.5	5.87	6.11	5.55
Transportation Equipment	302.66	299.63	265.00	40.9	40.6	38.8	7.40	7.38	6.83
NONDURABLE GOODS	262.80	256.37	228.91	40.0	39.2	37.1	6.57	6.54	6.17
Food & Kindred Products	245.35	236.51	219.70	39.7	38.9	37.3	6.18	6.08	5.89
Meat Products	202.69	194.09	170.62	38.1	36.9	34.4	5.32	5.26	4.96
Meat Packing	334.03	322.63	275.42	43.1	41.9	39.8	7.75	7.70	6.92
Dairy Products	257.42	259.49	267.09	42.2	42.4	45.5	6.10	6.12	5.87
Grain Mill Products	286.45	281.43	275.99	43.8	43.7	44.3	6.54	6.44	6.23
Bakery Products	271.74	267.33	235.98	42.0	42.5	39.2	6.47	6.29	6.02
Beverages	442.25	407.79	435.98	43.4	41.4	44.9	10.19	9.85	9.71
Tobacco Manufacturers	436.97	411.18	378.72	37.8	36.1	36.0	11.56	11.39	10.52
Cigarettes	466.73	444.81	409.22	38.1	36.4	36.8	12.25	12.22	11.12
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	168.80	165.26	135.94	34.1	34.5	28.8	4.95	4.79	4.72
Textile Mill Products	246.64	240.80	207.55	40.7	40.0	36.8	6.06	6.02	5.64
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	265.06	260.83	230.35	40.1	39.7	37.7	6.61	6.57	6.11
Weaving Mills, Cotton	262.13	258.45	230.35	39.3	39.1	37.7	6.67	6.61	6.11
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	267.90	262.76	229.97	40.9	40.3	37.7	6.55	6.52	6.10
Knitting Mills	227.08	217.67	190.28	39.7	38.8	35.5	5.72	5.61	5.36
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	208.79	204.34	183.50	39.1	38.7	35.7	5.34	5.28	5.14
Hosiery, NEC	208.13	204.79	168.54	37.3	37.1	32.6	5.58	5.52	5.17
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	265.23	244.99	230.87	42.1	39.9	39.6	6.30	6.14	5.83
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	297.25	270.47	204.73	46.3	43.0	34.7	6.42	6.29	5.90
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	267.76	270.94	246.38	42.3	42.4	41.2	6.33	6.39	5.98
Yarn & Thread Mills	243.92	236.16	195.83	42.2	41.0	36.4	5.78	5.76	5.38
Apparel & Other Textile Products	180.05	177.26	161.82	37.2	36.7	34.8	4.84	4.83	4.65
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	173.95	176.99	163.40	35.5	35.9	33.9	4.90	4.93	4.82
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	172.24	167.80	153.82	37.2	36.4	34.8	4.63	4.61	4.42
Paper & Allied Products	444.87	429.51	409.79	43.7	42.4	43.0	10.18	10.13	9.53
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	526.50	508.36	509.18	45.0	43.9	46.5	11.70	11.58	10.95
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	319.80	300.25	261.35	43.1	41.3	39.3	7.42	7.27	6.65
Printing & Publishing	289.30	283.97	263.06	39.2	38.9	38.8	7.38	7.30	6.78
Newspapers	264.88	259.15	263.88	34.4	33.7	36.0	7.70	7.69	7.33
Chemicals & Allied Products	356.07	350.06	318.40	41.5	40.8	39.8	8.58	8.58	8.00
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	416.73	399.95	355.81	43.5	42.1	39.8	9.58	9.50	8.94
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	343.15	338.52	302.51	40.9	40.3	39.7	8.39	8.40	7.62
MINING	267.46	280.42	280.39	38.1	40.7	42.1	7.02	6.89	6.66
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	423.49	409.25	371.49	41.6	40.6	40.6	10.18	10.08	9.15
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.31	196.65	199.64	33.5	33.5	34.6	5.86	5.87	5.77
Wholesale Trade	271.29	271.44	261.90	38.7	39.0	38.8	7.01	6.96	6.75
Retail Trade	164.54	162.75	173.71	31.4	31.0	32.9	5.24	5.25	5.28
General Merchandise Stores	144.78	142.67	144.62	30.1	39.6	31.1	4.81	4.82	4.65
Variety Stores	117.75	114.38	138.90	31.4	30.5	35.8	3.75	3.75	3.88
Food Stores	186.44	185.76	185.73	31.6	31.7	32.3	5.90	5.86	5.75
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	133.72	126.88	123.73	32.3	30.5	30.4	4.14	4.16	4.07
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	170.85	169.09	165.20	35.3	35.3	35.3	4.84	4.79	4.68

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

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NORTH CAROLINA

STATE LABOR SUMMARY

May, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO INCREASE: Total employment in the State exhibited a significant net monthly increase of 16,300 people (+0.6 percent) to reach a May, 1983, figure of 2,660,500. Each of the three principal employment segments experienced over-the-month gains. The "all other" nonagricultural employment sector rose by 2,300 workers (+0.8 percent). Agricultural employment enjoyed additional seasonal increases of 7,300 persons (+11.9 percent). Also, nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) grew by 6,700 people (+0.3 percent) over the month.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT UP IN MAY: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) rose by 5,700 workers (+0.7 percent) from mid-April to mid-May, 1983, for a May total of 774,100. The durable goods segment gained 3,600 people (+1.3 percent) as several industry groups enjoyed good growth. The durable goods industry which registered the largest net over-the-month increase was electrical machinery, up by 1,700 workers (+3.4 percent) due mainly to the recalls of workers who had been on temporary layoff. In addition, lumber and wood and stone, clay, and glass advanced by 500 employees each. The nondurable goods segment increased by 2,100 persons (0.4 percent) over the month primarily due to positive movement in two industry groups. Textile mill products led the way with an increase of 1,300 workers (0.6 percent) due to general gains throughout the industry. Apparel and related products followed with a good increase of 700 workers (+0.8 percent) as apparel firms in women's and children's garments began hiring for the new styles.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: In the middle of May, 1983, the State's nonmanufacturing employment was estimated to be 1,572,000. That figure represented a net over-the-month rise of 2,100 persons (+0.1 percent). Two industry groups displayed healthy seasonal growth: construction, +2,900, and trade, +4,200. Two industry groups sustained anticipated seasonal losses: service and miscellaneous, -1,700, and government, -4,300.

MANUFACTURING FALLS BUT NONMANUFACTURING RISES SINCE LAST MAY: Although improving, manufacturing employment in North Carolina is still well below twelve months ago. The May, 1983, level of 774,100 was 9,900 (-1.3 percent) below May of 1982. The following industry groups have suffered the largest net yearly losses: chemicals and allied, -2,800; textile mill products, -2,500; electrical machinery, -2,100; fabricated metals, -1,900; and tobacco manufacturing, -1,000. On the positive side, nonmanufacturing employment in the State experienced a noticeable increase of 7,200 people (+0.5 percent) over one year ago. That was due to strong growth in the following industry groups: service and miscellaneous, +9,000; trade, +1,700; finance, insurance, and real estate, +1,400; and government, +1,000. The construction industry is still far below levels of one year ago, down by 4,500 workers (-4.2 percent).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT DECREASES OVER THE MONTH: Total unemployment in North Carolina fell to 244,100 from mid-April, 1983, to mid-May, 1983--a monthly decline of 8,200 people (-3.3 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment dropped from 8.7 percent in April to 8.4 percent in May. The unemployment situation this May was an improvement over May, 1982, when 260,800 persons were out of work and the rate was 8.8 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 9.8 percent in May, 1983, 10.0 percent in April, 1983, and 9.1 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.1 percent this May, 10.2 percent in April, and 9.4 percent one year ago.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

May, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	May 2/ 1983	April 3/ 1983	May 1982	April, 1983		May, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,904,600	2,896,500	2,952,200	+ 8,100	+ 0.3	- 47,600	- 1.6
Employment, Total	2,660,500	2,644,200	2,691,400	+ 16,300	+ 0.6	- 30,900	- 1.1
Agricultural Employment	68,700	61,400	73,900	+ 7,300	+ 11.9	- 5,200	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,308,800	2,302,100	2,336,800	+ 6,700	+ 0.3	- 28,000	- 1.2
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	283,000	280,700	280,700	+ 2,300	+ 0.8	+ 2,300	+ 0.8
Unemployment, Total	244,100	252,300	260,800	- 8,200	- 3.3	- 16,700	- 6.4
State Unadjusted Rate	8.4	8.7	8.8	- 0.3	XXX	- 0.4	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	9.8	10.0	9.1	- 0.2	XXX	+ 0.7	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.1	10.2	9.4	- 0.1	XXX	+ 0.7	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

HOURLY EARNINGS FALL WHILE HOURS WORKED REMAIN STABLE: From mid-April, 1983, to mid-May, 1983, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees declined by 2¢ an hour (-0.3 percent) to drop to $6.63. However, that figure did represent a yearly rise of 36¢ an hour (+5.7 percent). The durable goods sector also fell by 2¢ an hour (-0.3 percent) over the month to hit $6.79 this May. That was 30¢ more (+4.6 percent) than twelve months ago. Although there were no large monthly gains in durable goods, a couple of its industry groups did exhibit positive movement. Lumber and wood rose by 6¢ an hour (+1.1 percent) to arrive at $5.67 in May. Transportation equipment followed with a net monthly gain of 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) to reach $7.41. The nondurable goods sector was down as well, falling by 3¢ an hour (-0.5 percent) over the month to a May level of $6.54. That figure was 39¢ an hour (+6.3 percent) more than one year ago. There were no impressive over-the-month increases in nondurables either, but tobacco manufacturing did pick up 4¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to rise to $11.60. Printing, publishing, and allied was next with a net over-the-month increase of just 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to hit $7.36 in May, 1983. From the middle of April, 1983, to the middle of May, 1983, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers sustained a small loss of 80¢ (-0.3 percent) to drop to $263.87. That was still a good net yearly increase of $28.12 (+11.9 percent). Average weekly hours stayed the same over the month at 39.8; however, that was a strong gain of 2.2 hours over the year.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX UP IN MAY: According to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 297.1 in May, 1983. That figure represented a monthly increase of 0.5 percent and a yearly jump of 3.5 percent. All of the principal categories experienced over-the-month increases. Transportation was the group which exhibited the largest increase from April to May, up by 1.3 percent. The cost of housing followed with an increase of 0.5 percent. Three categories rose by just 0.1 percent: food and beverages, entertainment, and "other" goods and services. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $297.10 in May, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK: North Carolina's total employment is expected to rise during June of this year but then perhaps suffer a slight setback in July. The seasonal growth in agriculture should peak at more than 120,000 workers in July; however, it is possible that temporary factory layoffs, which historically occur in early July, may offset some of this seasonal growth. Hopefully, total unemployment in the State will remain fairly stable in June followed by a slight increase in July. The unemployment rate is expected to stay at or just above its current level of 8.4 percent during June and July of this year.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS CONTINUES TO FALL: There were 173,139 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of May 31, 1983. That was a net monthly decline of 5,608 persons (-3.1 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine year olds were the largest active applicant group by age with 104,436 or 60.3 percent of the total. They were followed by the forty to fifty-four sector which had 30,045 or 17.4 percent. The fifty-five and over age segment was once again the smallest with 10,376 or only 6.0 percent of the total. Females made up 48.1 percent of the total with a count of 83,325. The black, not Hispanic, ethnic group numbered 64,739 and comprised 37.4 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active applicant file as of May 31, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

May 31, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	173,139	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	28,282	16.3
22-39	104,436	60.3
40-54	30,045	17.4
55 and Over	10,376	6.0
Sex		
Male	89,814	51.9
Female	83,325	48.1
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	104,682	60.4
Black, not Hispanic	64,739	37.4
Hispanic	789	0.5
American Indian and Alaskan Native	1,992	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	937	0.5
Eligible Claimant	80,203	46.3
Veteran	27,820	16.1
Hanidcapped	10,779	6.2
Welfare	17,423	10.1
Seasonal Farmworker	1,856	1.1

JOB OPENINGS INCREASE IN MAY: There were 20,296 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State during the month of May, 1983, a net over-the-month increase of 6,771 (+50.1 percent). A good percentage of these openings received (74.0 percent) was filled. There were a total of 15,026 job openings filled. Farming, fishing, and forestry recorded the largest number of job openings received in May with 4,392. Most of those (4,064 or 92.5 percent) were filled. A distant second were service occupations with 2,981 job openings received and 2,277 or 76.4 percent filled. Structural work was a close third again this month with 2,639. The majority of those (1,908 or 72.3 percent) was also filled. The occupational group with the fewest job openings received in May was sales with just 625. More than half of those was filled (326 or 52.5 percent). From October 1, 1982, through May 31, 1983, there have been 104,779 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. Moreover, a high percentage of those has been filled (78.4 percent, representing 82,171 jobs). As of May 31, 1983, there were 9,642 unfilled non-agricultural job openings on file. A rather large group of those (4,443 or 46.1 percent) has stayed open for thirty days or more and should therefore be classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on North Carolina's job openings in May, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	May, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of May 31, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	877	436	5,311	2,431	1,011	576
Clerical	2,092	1,299	14,090	9,876	1,428	639
Sales	625	326	5,049	3,259	619	364
Service	2,981	2,277	17,157	13,319	1,534	796
Domestic	369	324	1,920	1,670	61	28
Other Services	2,612	1,953	15,237	11,649	1,473	768
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	4,392	4,064	16,760	16,087	133	56
Processing	832	473	3,714	3,058	507	132
Machine Trades	1,522	1,102	7,881	5,636	1,009	483
Bench Work	1,948	1,446	10,825	9,133	1,185	640
Sturctural Work	2,639	1,908	12,561	9,851	1,250	485
Miscellaneous	2,388	1,695	11,431	9,521	966	272
Motor Freight & Trans.	498	308	2,642	1,842	268	102
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,824.	1,322	8,318	7,365	647	133
Other	66	65	471	314	51	37
Total	20,296	15,026	104,779	82,171	9,642	4,443

1/ October 1, 1982 through May 31, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1983 (thous)	April 1983 (thous)	May 1982 (thous)	April 1983	May 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,346.1	2,338.3	2,348.8	+0.3	- 0.1
MANUFACTURING	774.1	768.4	784.0	+0.7	- 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	289.8	286.2	293.1	+1.3	- 1.1
Lumber & Wood Products	32.3	31.8	31.3	+1.6	+ 3.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.8	11.7	11.9	+0.9	- 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.6	7.3	+2.6	+ 6.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.8	3.6	3.1	+5.6	+22.6
Furniture & Fixtures	79.7	79.4	78.8	+0.4	+ 1.1
Household Furniture	71.3	71.2	70.1	+0.1	+ 1.7
Wood Household Furniture	37.5	37.3	36.8	+0.5	+ 1.9
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.4	29.1	28.7	+1.0	+ 2.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.1	15.6	16.0	+3.2	+ 0.6
Structural Clay Products	2.0	1.9	1.8	+5.3	+11.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.5	4.4	4.3	+2.3	+ 4.7
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.3	8.7	-0-	- 4.6
Fabricated Metal Products	22.8	22.6	24.7	+0.9	- 7.7
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.3	9.2	10.0	+1.1	- 7.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.6	49.2	50.1	+0.8	- 1.0
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.4	7.0	+1.6	- 7.1
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.4	49.7	53.5	+3.4	- 3.9
Household Appliances	5.6	4.0	4.3	+40.0	+30.2
Transportation Equipment	15.5	15.4	15.7	+0.6	- 1.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.1	14.2	14.3	-0.7	- 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	484.3	482.2	490.9	+0.4	- 1.3
Food & Kindred Products	42.1	42.1	42.9	-0-	- 1.9
Meat Products	16.7	16.6	16.7	+0.6	-0-
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	-0-	-0-
Dairy Products	2.9	2.8	3.0	+3.6	- 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	+4.2	-0-
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.8	-0-	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.6	6.5	6.9	+1.5	- 4.3
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.7	21.6	22.7	+0.5	- 4.4
Cigarettes	18.9	18.8	19.5	+0.5	- 3.1
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.1	2.1	2.4	-0-	-12.5
Textile Mill Products	222.8	221.5	225.3	+0.6	- 1.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	64.2	63.7	68.0	+0.8	- 5.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	33.9	33.7	36.4	+0.6	- 6.9
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.0	29.7	31.4	+1.0	- 4.5
Knitting Mills	74.7	74.0	74.1	+0.9	+ 0.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.3	22.2	21.1	+0.5	+ 5.7
Hosiery, NEC	21.3	21.2	21.3	+0.5	-0-
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.5	15.4	15.1	+0.6	+ 2.6
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.2	6.0	6.8	+3.3	- 8.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.2	15.2	14.4	-0-	+ 5.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.7	55.5	55.8	+0.4	- 0.2

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

May, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1983 (thous)	April 1983 (thous)	May 1982 (thous)	April 1983	May 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.2	86.5	85.6	+ 0.8	+ 1.9
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.7	26.7	27.9	-0-	- 4.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.5	42.0	40.8	+ 1.2	+ 4.2
Paper & Allied Products	21.6	21.7	21.5	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.7	10.8	10.8	- 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.3	6.3	+ 1.6	+ 1.6
Printing & Publishing	21.4	21.5	21.3	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Newspapers	8.6	8.4	8.4	+ 2.4	+ 2.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.0	36.1	38.8	- 0.3	- 7.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.6	13.6	15.9	-0-	-14.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	25.9	25.6	26.6	+ 1.2	- 2.6
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	5.6	6.2	-0-	- 9.7
NONMANUFACTURING	1,572.0	1,569.9	1,564.8	+ 0.1	+ 0.5
MINING	4.8	4.7	4.8	+ 2.1	-0-
CONSTRUCTION	101.6	98.7	106.1	+ 2.9	- 4.2
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.1	113.5	115.6	+ 0.5	- 1.3
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.0	54.4	55.4	+ 1.1	- 0.7
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.7	53.7	54.4	-0-	- 1.3
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	476.9	472.7	475.2	+ 0.9	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade	123.4	123.4	123.7	-0-	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.3	72.1	72.8	+ 0.3	- 0.7
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.1	51.3	50.9	- 0.4	+ 0.4
Retail Trade	353.5	349.3	351.5	+ 1.2	+ 0.6
General Merchandise Stores	52.1	51.3	52.2	+ 1.6	- 0.2
Variety Stores	13.2	12.9	12.6	+ 2.3	+ 4.8
Food Stores	58.1	57.5	57.7	+ 1.0	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.8	98.5	97.4	+ 0.3	+ 1.4
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	367.8	369.5	358.8	- 0.5	+ 2.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	21.4	20.4	20.2	+ 4.9	+ 5.9
Personal Services	23.0	24.5	22.4	- 6.1	+ 2.7
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	10.0	10.0	- 1.0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	408.0	412.3	406.9	- 1.0	+ 0.3
Federal	49.0	48.8	48.7	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
State	119.6	124.5	117.7	- 3.9	+ 1.6
Education	60.2	65.5	59.2	- 8.1	+ 1.7
Other	59.4	59.0	58.5	+ 0.7	+ 1.5
Local	239.4	239.0	240.5	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Education	137.6	137.8	138.4	- 0.1	- 0.6
Other	101.8	101.2	102.1	+ 0.6	- 0.3

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

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MANUFACTURING	777.6	771.1	787.6	+ 0.8	– 1.3
DURABLE GOODS	290.3	286.4	293.7	+ 1.4	– 1.2
Lumber & Wood Products	32.2	31.9	31.2	+ 0.9	– 3.2
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.7	11.7	11.8	0	– 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.8	7.6	7.3	+ 2.6	+ 6.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.8	3.6	3.1	+ 5.6	+22.6
Furniture & Fixtures	79.4	79.1	78.6	+ 0.4	+ 1.0
Household Furniture	71.2	70.7	70.0	+ 0.7	+ 1.7
Wood Household Furniture	37.5	37.3	36.9	+ 0.5	+ 1.6
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.3	29.0	28.6	+ 1.0	+ 2.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.0	15.7	15.9	+ 1.9	+ 0.6
Structural Clay Products	1.9	1.9	1.7	0	+11.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.4	4.4	4.2	0	+ 4.8
Primary Metal Industries	8.3	8.3	8.7	0	– 4.6
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	22.9	25.0	+ 0.9	– 7.6
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.4	9.4	10.1	0	– 6.9
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	50.2	49.3	50.7	+ 1.8	– 1.0
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.4	7.0	+ 1.6	– 7.1
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.7	49.8	53.8	+ 3.8	– 3.9
Household Appliances	5.8	4.3	4.5	+34.9	+28.9
Transportation Equipment	15.3	15.3	15.5	0	– 1.3
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.1	14.1	14.3	0	– 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	487.3	484.7	493.9	+ 0.5	– 1.3
Food & Kindred Products	42.6	42.6	43.4	0	– 1.8
Meat Products	16.8	16.7	16.8	+ 0.6	0
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.8	3.0	+ 3.6	– 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 4.2	0
Bakery Products	7.9	8.0	7.8	– 1.2	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.6	6.6	6.8	0	– 2.9
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.1	23.7	25.2	+ 1.7	– 4.4
Cigarettes	19.2	18.9	19.8	+ 1.6	– 3.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.0	3.7	4.5	+ 8.1	–11.1
Textile Mill Products	222.8	221.1	225.2	+ 0.8	– 1.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	64.4	63.5	68.2	+ 1.4	– 5.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.0	33.7	36.5	+ 0.9	– 6.8
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Knitting Mills	74.3	73.8	73.7	+ 0.7	+ 0.8
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.4	22.3	21.2	+ 0.4	+ 5.7
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Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.1	5.9	6.7	+ 3.4	– 9.0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.1	15.3	14.3	– 1.3	+ 5.6
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.6	55.5	55.7	+ 0.2	– 0.2

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Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.8	21.6	- 0.5	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.8	6.3	0	+71.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.3	8.4	+ 1.6	-23.8
Printing & Publishing	21.5	21.4	21.4	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Newspapers	8.6	8.4	8.4	+ 2.4	+ 2.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	35.7	35.7	38.5	0	- 7.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.5	13.5	15.8	0	-14.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.0	25.8	26.7	+ 0.8	- 2.6
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.5	6.1	0	- 9.8
NONMANUFACTURING	1,565.8	1,565.6	1,558.7	*	+ 0.5
MINING	4.7	4.7	4.7	0	0
CONSTRUCTION	100.6	100.0	105.1	+ 0.6	- 4.3
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.2	114.3	115.8	- 0.1	- 1.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.2	55.0	55.7	+ 0.4	- 0.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.6	54.0	54.4	- 0.7	- 1.5
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	480.1	479.0	478.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.4
Wholesale Trade	125.5	125.8	125.8	- 0.2	- 0.2
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.4	72.9	72.9	- 0.7	- 0.7
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.1	52.9	52.9	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Retail Trade	354.6	353.2	352.5	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
General Merchandise Stores	53.2	52.9	53.3	+ 0.6	- 0.2
Variety Stores	13.3	13.2	12.7	+ 0.8	+ 4.7
Food Stores	58.2	58.4	57.8	- 0.3	+ 0.7
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	98.7	98.9	97.4	- 0.2	+ 1.3
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	367.1	369.1	358.1	- 0.5	+ 2.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	20.9	20.9	19.7	0	+ 6.1
Personal Services	23.3	23.7	22.7	- 1.7	+ 2.6
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	10.0	10.0	- 1.0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	400.4	399.6	399.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
Federal	48.5	48.7	48.2	- 0.4	+ 0.6
State	121.1	120.6	119.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.7
Education	61.8	61.4	60.7	+ 0.7	+ 1.8
Other	59.3	59.2	58.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.5
Local	230.8	230.3	232.0	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Education	128.8	128.3	129.6	+ 0.4	- 0.6
Other	102.0	102.0	102.4	0	- 0.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.
3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.
4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

MAY, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	May 1983	April 1983	May 1982	April 1983	May 1982
MANUFACTURING	615.8	610.4	622.9	+ 0.9	- 1.1
DURABLE GOODS	218.8	215.5	221.1	+ 1.5	- 1.0
Lumber & Wood Products	27.9	27.4	26.9	+ 1.8	+ 3.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	6.8	6.7	6.4	+ 1.5	+ 6.2
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.3	3.1	3.6	+ 6.5	+ 26.9
Furniture & Fixtures	70.7	70.5	69.6	+ 0.3	+ 1.6
Household Furniture	64.1	64.0	62.5	+ 0.2	+ 2.6
Wood Household Furniture	34.5	34.4	33.7	+ 0.3	+ 2.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	12.9	12.4	12.7	+ 4.0	+ 1.6
Structural Clay Products	1.5	1.4	1.3	+ 7.1	+ 15.4
Primary Metal Industries	6.0	5.9	6.2	+ 1.7	- 3.2
Fabricated Metal Products	16.5	16.4	17.8	+ 0.6	- 7.3
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.1	24.8	26.4	+ 1.2	- 4.9
Special Industry Machinery	4.2	4.2	4.6	0	- 8.7
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	36.3	34.7	38.0	+ 4.6	- 4.5
Household Appliances	4.9	3.3	3.7	+ 48.5	+ 32.4
Transportation Equipment	12.4	12.3	12.5	+ 0.8	- 0.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	397.0	394.9	401.8	+ 0.5	- 1.2
Food & Kindred Products	28.5	28.5	29.2	0	- 2.4
Meat Products	14.3	14.2	14.3	+ 0.7	0
Meat Packing	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.6	1.5	1.6	+ 6.7	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Bakery Products	4.6	4.6	4.5	0	+ 2.2
Beverages	2.7	2.7	3.0	0	- 10.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.1	17.0	18.1	+ 0.6	- 5.5
Cigarettes	15.2	15.0	15.8	+ 1.3	- 3.8
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.4	1.5	1.7	- 6.7	- 17.6
Textile Mill Products	198.2	196.7	200.0	+ 0.8	- 0.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	57.6	57.0	61.2	+ 1.1	- 5.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.3	30.1	32.7	+ 0.7	- 7.3
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.2	26.8	28.3	+ 1.5	- 3.9
Knitting Mills	65.5	64.8	64.8	+ 1.1	+ 1.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	19.7	19.5	18.6	+ 1.0	+ 5.9
Hosiery, NEC	19.7	19.5	19.6	+ 1.0	+ 0.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.1	12.8	+ 1.5	+ 3.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.2	5.1	5.8	+ 2.0	- 10.3
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.8	12.8	12.0	0	+ 6.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.3	51.0	51.4	+ 0.6	- 0.2
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.4	74.7	73.8	+ 0.9	+ 2.2
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	22.9	22.9	24.0	0	- 4.6
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.7	36.2	35.1	+ 1.4	+ 4.6
Paper & Allied Products	16.4	16.5	16.3	- 0.6	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.9	7.9	8.0	0	- 1.2
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.0	4.9	4.8	+ 2.0	+ 4.2
Printing & Publishing	12.9	13.0	12.9	- 0.8	0
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.2	23.4	25.2	- 0.9	- 7.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.4	9.4	11.0	0	- 14.5
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	20.5	20.3	20.9	+ 1.0	- 1.9
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.8	4.8	5.4	0	- 11.1

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

MAY, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	May 1983	April 1983	May 1982	May 1983	April 1983	May 1982	May 1983	April 1983	May 1982
MANUFACTURING	$ 263.87	$ 264.67	$235.75	39.8	39.8	37.6	$ 6.63	$ 6.65	$ 6.27
DURABLE GOODS	268.21	268.31	244.67	39.5	39.4	37.7	6.79	6.81	6.49
Lumber & Wood Products	233.04	224.96	204.14	41.1	40.1	38.3	5.67	5.61	5.33
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	221.60	216.45	209.97	39.5	39.0	39.1	5.61	5.55	5.37
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	282.48	246.02	248.18	44.0	40.2	39.9	6.42	6.12	6.22
Furniture & Fixtures	222.85	222.09	193.35	37.9	37.9	34.9	5.88	5.86	5.54
Household Furniture	222.68	222.30	191.89	38.0	38.0	34.7	5.86	5.85	5.53
Wood Household Furniture	220.70	219.01	187.80	39.2	38.9	35.5	5.63	5.63	5.29
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	303.05	301.08	285.42	41.8	41.3	40.2	7.25	7.29	7.10
Structural Clay Products	247.13	238.79	216.84	42.1	41.1	39.0	5.87	5.81	5.56
Primary Metal Industries	286.52	297.60	281.85	37.9	38.8	39.2	7.56	7.67	7.19
Fabricated Metal Products	300.92	301.90	271.74	40.5	40.2	38.6	7.43	7.51	7.04
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	316.31	321.18	297.60	40.5	40.4	40.0	7.81	7.95	7.44
Special Industry Machinery	287.55	278.32	262.05	40.5	39.2	38.2	7.10	7.10	6.86
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	306.54	312.84	303.36	39.2	39.7	39.5	7.82	7.88	7.68
Household Appliances	231.75	234.04	198.59	37.5	39.6	35.4	6.18	5.91	5.61
Transportation Equipment	303.81	299.63	256.56	41.0	40.6	37.4	7.41	7.38	6.86
NONDURABLE GOODS	261.60	262.80	231.24	40.0	40.0	37.6	6.54	6.57	6.15
Food & Kindred Products	246.18	244.55	223.99	39.9	39.7	37.9	6.17	6.16	5.91
Meat Products	198.15	200.26	175.20	37.6	38.0	34.9	5.27	5.27	5.02
Meat Packing	320.32	327.33	301.81	41.6	42.4	41.4	7.70	7.72	7.29
Dairy Products	264.63	259.06	252.30	43.1	42.4	43.5	6.14	6.11	5.80
Grain Mill Products	290.59	286.01	261.75	44.5	43.8	42.7	6.53	6.53	6.13
Bakery Products	284.26	272.39	244.16	43.8	42.1	39.7	6.49	6.47	6.15
Beverages	443.22	439.50	427.05	44.5	43.3	44.3	9.96	10.15	9.64
Tobacco Manufacturers	440.80	436.97	383.46	38.0	37.8	36.8	11.60	11.56	10.42
Cigarettes	469.10	466.73	409.59	38.2	38.1	37.0	12.28	12.25	11.07
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	183.68	168.80	162.37	36.3	34.1	34.4	5.06	4.95	4.72
Textile Mill Products	245.83	246.64	210.94	40.7	40.7	37.4	6.04	6.06	5.64
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	262.81	265.06	227.05	39.7	40.1	37.1	6.62	6.61	6.12
Weaving Mills, Cotton	252.70	261.46	226.07	38.0	39.2	37.0	6.65	6.67	6.11
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	274.39	269.21	228.65	41.7	41.1	37.3	6.58	6.55	6.13
Knitting Mills	229.23	227.03	196.84	40.5	39.9	37.0	5.66	5.69	5.32
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	212.93	208.29	181.86	40.1	39.3	35.8	5.31	5.30	5.08
Hosiery, NEC	217.95	208.68	185.96	39.2	37.6	35.9	5.56	5.55	5.18
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	256.85	265.64	226.16	41.9	42.3	39.4	6.13	6.28	5.74
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	301.86	297.07	234.43	46.8	46.2	39.6	6.45	6.43	5.92
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	266.24	271.36	238.20	41.6	42.4	39.9	6.40	6.40	5.97
Yarn & Thread Mills	242.76	242.76	201.42	42.0	42.0	37.3	5.78	5.78	5.40
Apparel & Other Textile Products	180.38	178.82	165.08	37.5	37.1	35.5	4.81	4.82	4.65
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	181.67	175.64	167.65	37.0	35.7	35.0	4.91	4.92	4.79
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	171.67	171.49	157.71	37.4	37.2	35.6	4.59	4.61	4.43
Paper & Allied Products	438.33	443.85	396.86	43.1	43.6	42.4	10.17	10.18	9.36
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	524.33	526.50	481.23	44.7	45.0	44.6	11.73	11.70	10.79
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	313.32	318.63	267.33	42.0	43.0	40.2	7.46	7.41	6.65
Printing & Publishing	284.10	286.26	263.50	38.6	39.0	38.3	7.36	7.34	6.88
Newspapers	256.95	261.46	246.11	33.5	34.0	33.9	7.67	7.69	7.26
Chemicals & Allied Products	363.69	361.09	314.41	41.9	41.6	39.4	8.68	8.68	7.98
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	414.30	416.67	345.25	42.8	43.0	39.1	9.68	9.69	8.83
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	318.72	339.88	310.31	39.3	40.9	40.3	8.11	8.31	7.70
MINING	263.50	265.18	291.18	38.3	38.1	42.2	6.88	6.96	6.90
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	404.01	415.71	371.68	40.2	41.2	40.4	10.05	10.09	9.20
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	195.89	196.13	199.41	33.6	33.7	34.5	5.83	5.82	5.78
Wholesale Trade	274.31	270.66	266.17	39.3	39.0	38.8	6.98	6.94	6.86
Retail Trade	164.85	164.12	171.35	31.4	31.5	32.7	5.25	5.21	5.24
General Merchandise Stores	143.40	144.00	143.38	30.0	30.0	30.9	4.78	4.80	4.64
Variety Stores	114.70	118.69	-	31.0	31.4	-	3.70	3.78	-
Food Stores	189.07	187.66	186.62	42.1	31.7	32.4	5.89	5.92	5.76
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	128.52	131.46	123.00	30.6	31.6	30.0	4.20	4.16	4.10
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	168.48	168.35	165.54	35.1	35.0	35.6	4.80	4.81	4.65

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
2/ Information not available.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

JUNE, 1983

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
June, 1983

TOTAL EMPLOYMENT ENJOYS SUBSTANTIAL GROWTH: From mid-May to mid-June of this year, North Carolina's total employment experienced an over-the-month gain of 37,100 persons (+1.4 percent). The June, 1983, level was 2,698,100. All three of the main employment categories exhibited significant net monthly increases. Agricultural employment continued its seasonal climb with the addition of 16,500 workers (+24.0 percent). The "all other" nonagricultural employment segment grew by 8,300 people (+2.9 percent) and nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders) recorded a strong monthly rise of 12,300 persons (+0.5 percent).

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT EXHIBITS MONTHLY INCREASE: From the middle of May, 1983, to the middle of June, 1983, manufacturing employment in the State (including dual jobholders) rose by 8,100 people (+1.0 percent) to 781,800. The durable goods sector added 3,600 workers (+1.2 percent) as every single industry group registered an increase of some size, ranging from a low of 100 to a high of 900. Furniture and fixtures led the way in durables with a net monthly rise of 900 persons (+1.1 percent) due to a general increase in business and to employee recalls. Machinery, except electrical was next with an over-the-month gain of 800 workers (+1.6 percent) due to general employment growth throughout most of the industry. The nondurable goods sector increased by 4,500 workers (+0.9 percent) in June as most of its industry groups displayed positive movement. Textile mill products enjoyed a healthy monthly surge of 2,000 workers (+0.9 percent) to set the pace in nondurables. The second largest gain occurred in apparel and related products, which rose by 900 persons (+1.0 percent) over the month due in part to employee recalls.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT UP IN JUNE: Nonmanufacturing employment in North Carolina was estimated to be 1,585,900 in mid-June of this year. That was a monthly increase of 12,900 workers (+0.8 percent). Four of the industry groups enjoyed substantial seasonal gains: construction, +2,000; trade, +3,500; finance, insurance, and real estate, +1,300; and service and miscellaneous, +4,600.

MANUFACTURING DOWN SLIGHTLY WHILE NONMANUFACTURING JUMPS OVER THE YEAR: Statewide manufacturing employment continues to improve and is very close to attaining the level of one year ago. This June's manufacturing total was just 200 below June,1982; furthermore, four of the industry groups actually experienced noticeable net yearly growth: lumber and wood, +1,500; furniture and fixtures, +3,500; textile mill products, +2,100; and apparel and related products, +2,200. North Carolina's nonmanufacturing employment has grown by 18,000 workers (+1.1 percent) since twelve months ago.More than two-thirds of that increase took place in the service and miscellaneous industry, which was up by 12,400 employees (+3.4 percent) since June of 1982. Three other industry groups also enjoyed good over-the-year growth: trade, +5,100; finance, insurance, and real estate, +2,100; and government, +1,300.

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCES MONTHLY RISE: From the middle of May to the middle of June, 1983, the State's total unemployment rose to 251,600--an over-the-month increase of 7,500 persons (+3.1 percent). As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment in North Carolina inched forward from 8.4 percent in May to 8.5 percent in June. Even with the slight increase, the current rate is far below the 9.3 percent rate of June, 1982, when there were 279,500 jobless people. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 10.2 percent in June, 1983, 9.8 percent in May, 1983, and 9.8 percent one year ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 10.0 percent this June, 10.1 percent in May, and 9.5 percent twelve months ago.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

June, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	June 2/ 1983	May 3/ 1983	June 1982	May, 1983		June, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,949,700	2,905,100	2,992,100	+ 44,600	+ 1.5	- 42,400	- 1.4
Employment, Total	2,698,100	2,661,000	2,712,600	+ 37,100	+ 1.4	- 14,500	- 0.5
Agricultural Employment	85,200	68,700	91,600	+ 16,500	+24.0	- 6,400	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,321,600	2,309,300	2,338,500	+ 12,300	+ 0.5	- 16,900	- 0.7
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	291,300	283,000	282,500	+ 8,300	+ 2.9	+ 8,800	+ 3.1
Unemployment, Total	251,600	244,100	279,500	+ 7,500	+ 3.1	- 27,900	-10.0
State Unadjusted Rate	8.5	8.4	9.3	+ 0.1	XXX	- 0.8	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	10.2	9.8	9.8	+ 0.4	XXX	+ 0.4	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	10.0	10.1	9.5	- 0.1	XXX	+ 0.5	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.

BOTH HOURLY EARNINGS AND HOURS WORKED RISE: The average hourly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers inched forward by 1¢ an hour (+0.2 percent) to $6.64 from the middle of May to the middle of June of this year. Moreover, that was an over-the-year increase of 32¢ an hour (+5.1 percent). The durable goods sector experienced a very modest monthly gain of 2¢ an hour (+0.3 percent) to reach $6.81 in June, 1983. Since June, 1982, a rise of 29¢ an hour (+4.4 percent) has occurred in the durable goods section. Stone, clay, and glass products was the durable goods industry which experienced the largest net over-the-month growth, up by 21¢ an hour (+2.9 percent) to hit $7.46 this June. Primary metal industries was close behind with a net monthly increase of 18¢ an hour (+2.4 percent) to average $7.72. The nondurable goods sector exhibited a very slight net monthly gain of 1¢ an hour (+0.2 percent) for a June average of $6.55. That was 34¢ an hour (+5.5 percent) above twelve months ago. The nondurable goods industry which displayed the largest net monthly rise was paper and allied products, climbing by 13¢ an hour (+1.3 percent) to $10.23. Rubber and plastic products followed with a net over-the-month increase of 11¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to hit $8.20 in June, 1983. The average weekly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by $3.72 (+1.4 percent) to $268.92 from mid-May, 1983, to mid-June, 1983. A strong net over-the-year gain of $28.76 (+12.0 percent) occurred in average weekly earnings. The average weekly hours of production workers stood at 40.5 this June, a monthly rise of 0.5 of an hour and a yearly increase of 2.5 hours.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX RISES IN JUNE: The Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers climbed to 298.1 in June, 1983, according to the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics. That was an over-the-month rise of 0.3 percent plus an over-the year increase of 2.6 percent. Two of the main groups exhibited significant monthly increases. The cost of transportation was up the most, rising by 0.7 percent from May to June of this year. Housing was next with a gain of 0.4 percent. Two of the principal categories declined over the month: food and beverages, -0.1 percent, and apparel and upkeep, -0.3 percent. The purchasing power of the consumer dollar, using 1967 as a base of $1.00, stood at 33.5¢ in June, 1983.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK: Total employment in the State may be down slightly in mid-July due to temporary layoffs, but is expected to recover somewhat in August. Workers should be recalled from these temporary factory layoffs plus agricultural employment should still be strong in August. North Carolina's total unemployment may reflect the temporary layoffs in July and, as a result, the rate may edge up a bit, followed by a reduction in August.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS GROWS IN JUNE: As of June 30, 1983, there were 179,732 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State. That figure represented a net over-the-month increase of 6,593 people (+3.8 percent). The largest active applicant sector by age was twenty-two to thirty-nine with 105,327 or 58.6 percent of the total. A distant second was the twenty-one and under segment which had 34,248 or 19.0 percent. The smallest group by age was fifty-five and over with 10,190 or just 5.7 percent of the total. Most of the active job applicants were males, numbering 91,658 or 51.0 percent of the total. The largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, with a count of 104,695 or 58.3 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file as of June 30, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

June 30, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	179,732	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	34,248	19.0
22-39	105,327	58.6
40-54	29,967	16.7
55 and Over	10,190	5.7
Sex		
Male	91,658	51.0
Female	88,074	49.0
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	104,695	58.3
Black, not Hispanic	70,521	39.2
Hispanic	1,274	0.7
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,111	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,131	0.6
Eligible Claimant	77,059	42.9
Veteran	27,383	15.2
Handicapped	10,767	6.0
Welfare	18,018	10.0
Seasonal Farmworker	3,619	2.0

JOB OPENINGS CLIMB SHARPLY IN JUNE: During the month of June, 1983, there were 35,281 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. That was a net monthly surge of 14,985 (+73.8 percent). Furthermore, an impressive number was filled (30,326 or 86.0 percent). The largest number of job openings received in June occurred in farming, fishing, and forestry, which had 14,516. The vast majority of those (13,548 or 93.3 percent) was filled. Service occupations followed with a total of 4,709 job openings received and 3,849 or 81.7 percent filled. Clerical occupations recorded 3,536 job openings received in June for a close third. Most of those (2,596 or 73.4 percent) were filled. Sales once again had the smallest number of job openings received with only 697. The majority of those was also filled (405 or 58.1 percent). There have been 140,060 job openings received by the Job Service offices across the State from October 1, 1982, through June 30, 1983. Also, a good portion of those has been filled (112,497 or 80.3 percent). There were 10,209 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file as of June 30, 1983. Most of those (5,795 or 56.8 percent) were classified as hard-to-fill because they had been open for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on the State's job openings in June, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	June, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As of June 30, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	988	556	6,299	2,987	996	590
Clerical	3,536	2,596	17,626	12,472	1,665	965
Sales	697	405	5,746	3,664	637	352
Service	4,709	3,849	21,866	17,168	1,794	1,094
Domestic	387	353	2,307	2,023	65	36
Other Services	4,322	3,496	19,559	15,145	1,729	1,058
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	14,516	13,548	31,276	29,635	272	117
Processing	796	900	4,510	3,958	311	171
Machine Trades	1,659	1,279	9,540	6,915	1,010	574
Bench Work	1,958	1,703	12,783	10,836	1,157	757
Structural Work	2,955	2,328	15,516	12,179	1,411	680
Miscellaneous	3,467	3,162	14,898	12,683	956	495
Motor Freight & Trans.	492	348	3,134	2,190	254	118
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	2,878	2,743	11,196	10,108	639	348
Other	97	71	568	385	63	29
Total	35,281	30,326	140,060	112,497	10,209	5,795

1/ October 1, 1982, through June 30, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT June 1983 (Thous.)	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT May 1983 (Thous.)	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT June 1982 (Thous.)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: May 1983	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: June 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2367.7	2346.7	2349.9	+ 0.9	+ 0.8
MANUFACTURING	781.8	773.7	782.0	+ 1.0	- 0.03
DURABLE GOODS	292.8	289.2	293.0	+ 1.2	- 0.01
Lumber & Wood Products	32.9	32.3	31.4	+ 1.9	+ 4.8
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.0	11.8	11.9	+ 1.7	+ 0.8
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.0	7.8	7.3	+ 2.6	+ 9.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.0	3.8	3.2	+ 5.3	+25.0
Furniture & Fixtures	80.5	79.6	77.0	+ 1.1	+ 4.5
Household Furniture	72.3	71.3	68.2	+ 1.4	+ 6.0
Wood Household Furniture	37.9	37.5	35.2	1.1	7.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.7	29.3	28.3	+ 1.4	+ 4.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.3	16.1	16.2	+ 1.2	+ 0.6
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.0	1.9	+ 5.0	+ 0.5
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.6	4.2	0	+ 9.5
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.3	8.6	+ 1.2	- 2.3
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	22.8	24.6	+ 1.3	- 6.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.3	9.3	10.2	0	- 8.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	50.3	49.5	50.7	+ 1.6	- 0.8
Special Industry Machinery	6.6	6.5	6.9	+ 1.5	- 4.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.5	51.0	54.3	+ 1.0	- 5.2
Household Appliances	5.4	5.1	5.4	+ 5.9	0
Transportation Equipment	15.6	15.5	15.7	+ 0.6	- 0.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.2	14.1	14.5	+ 0.7	- 2.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	489.0	484.5	489.0	+ 0.9	0
Food & Kindred Products	42.9	42.2	43.3	+ 1.7	- 0.9
Meat Products	16.8	16.7	16.8	+ 0.6	0
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	3.0	0	- 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.9	7.9	7.8	0	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.7	6.7	7.1	0	- 5.6
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.9	21.7	23.2	+ 0.9	- 5.6
Cigarettes	19.2	18.9	20.4	+ 1.6	- 5.9
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	2.1	2.1	2.0	0	+ 5.0
Textile Mill Products	224.9	222.9	222.8	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	64.5	63.9	66.2	+ 0.9	- 2.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.1	33.8	35.2	+ 0.9	- 3.1
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.2	29.9	30.7	+ 1.0	- 1.6
Knitting Mills	75.7	74.9	74.7	+ 1.1	+ 1.3
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.9	22.5	21.5	+ 1.8	+ 6.5
Hosiery, NEC	21.5	21.3	21.6	+ 0.9	- 0.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.6	15.6	15.0	0	+ 4.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.4	6.2	6.8	+ 3.2	- 5.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.4	15.2	14.5	+ 1.3	+ 6.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	56.2	55.8	54.5	+ 0.7	+ 3.1

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1983 (Thous.)	May 1983 (Thous.)	June 1982 (Thous.)	May 1983	June 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.1	87.2	85.9	+ 1.0	+ 2.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.0	26.7	27.7	+ 1.1	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.8	42.5	41.1	+ 0.7	+ 4.1
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.6	21.7	+ 0.5	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.8	10.7	10.9	+ 0.9	- 0.9
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.4	6.3	0	+ 1.6
Printing & Publishing	21.1	21.3	21.2	- 0.9	- 0.5
Newspapers	8.6	8.5	8.6	+ 1.2	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.5	36.1	38.1	+ 1.1	- 4.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.8	13,6	15.5	+ 1.5	-11.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.3	25.9	26.5	+ 1.5	- 0.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	5.6	6.3	0	-11.1
NONMANUFACTURING	1585.9	1573.0	1567.9	+ 0.8	+ 1.1
MINING	4.9	4.8	4.8	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	103.7	101.7	106.0	+ 2.0	- 2.2
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.1	114.2	115.8	+ 0.8	- 0.6
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.6	55.1	55.1	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.2	53.7	55.0	+ 0.9	- 1.5
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	480.8	477.3	475.7	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade	124.2	123.3	123.8	+ 0.7	+ .3
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.9	72.2	72.7	+ 1.0	+ 0.3
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.3	51.1	51.1	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Retail Trade	356.6	354.0	351.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.3
General Merchandise Stores	52.8	52.4	52.4	+ 0.8	+ 0.8
Variety Stores	13.5	13.2	12.6	+ 2.3	+ 7.1
Food Stores	8.6	58.1	57.8	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	100.3	99.0	98.2	+ 1.3	+ 2.1
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	372.6	368.0	360.2	+ 1.3	+ 3.4
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.4	21.5	21.0	+ 4.2	+ 6.7
Personal Services	22.9	23.3	22.2	- 1.7	+ 3.2
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	408.5	408.0	407.2	+ 0.1	+ 0.3
Federal	49.6	49.0	49.0	+ 1.2	+ 1.2
State	116.7	119.3	115.9	- 2.2	+ 0.7
Education	57.1	60.0	56.7	- 4.8	+ 0.7
Other	59.6	59.3	59.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.7
Local	242.2	239.7	242.3	+ 1.0	- 0.04
Education	137.5	137.7	138.1	- 0.1	- 0.4
Other	104.7	102.0	104.2	+ 2.6	+ 0.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1983

(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1983 (thous)	May 1983 (thous)	June 1982 (thous)	May 1983	June 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,351.6	2,344.0	2,333.9	+ 0.3	+ 0.8
MANUFACTURING	780.6	777.2	780.9	+ 0.4	*
DURABLE GOODS	292.7	289.7	292.9	+ 1.0	- 0.1
Lumber & Wood Products	32.7	32.2	31.2	+ 1.6	+ 4.8
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.8	11.7	11.7	+ 0.9	+ 0.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.0	7.8	7.3	+ 2.6	+ 9.6
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.0	3.8	3.2	+ 5.3	+25.0
Furniture & Fixtures	81.1	79.3	77.6	+ 2.3	+ 4.5
Household Furniture	72.7	71.2	68.6	+ 2.1	+ 6.0
Wood Household Furniture	37.9	37.5	35.2	+ 1.1	+ 7.7
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.7	29.2	28.3	+ 1.7	+ 4.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.1	16.0	16.0	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Structural Clay Products	2.0	1.9	1.8	+ 5.3	+11.1
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.5	4.5	4.1	0	+ 9.8
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.3	8.6	+ 1.2	- 2.3
Fabricated Metal Products	23.1	23.1	24.6	0	- 6.1
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.3	9.4	10.2	- 1.1	- 8.8
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	50.3	50.1	50.7	+ 0.4	- 0.8
Special Industry Machinery	6.6	6.5	6.9	+ 1.5	- 4.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.4	51.3	54.2	+ 0.2	- 5.2
Household Appliances	5.4	5.3	5.4	+ 1.9	0
Transportation Equipment	15.4	15.3	15.5	+ 0.7	- 0.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.2	14.1	14.5	+ 0.7	- 2.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	487.9	487.5	488.0	+ 0.1	*
Food & Kindred Products	42.0	42.7	42.4	- 1.6	- 0.9
Meat Products	16.8	16.8	16.8	0	0
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	2.9	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.5	2.5	0	0
Bakery Products	7.8	7.9	7.7	- 1.3	+ 1.3
Beverages	6.5	6.7	6.9	- 3.0	- 5.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.5	24.1	24.9	- 2.5	- 5.6
Cigarettes	18.8	19.2	20.0	- 2.1	- 6.0
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.9	4.0	3.7	- 2.5	+ 5.4
Textile Mill Products	224.0	222.9	221.9	+ 0.5	+ 0.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	64.4	64.1	66.1	+ 0.5	- 2.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.0	33.9	35.1	+ 0.3	- 3.1
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.2	29.8	30.7	+ 1.3	- 1.6
Knitting Mills	74.7	74.5	73.8	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.7	22.6	21.3	+ 0.4	+ 6.6
Hosiery, NEC	21.2	21.2	21.3	0	- 0.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.5	15.4	14.9	+ 0.6	+ 4.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.3	6.1	6.7	+ 3.3	- 6.0
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.3	15.1	14.4	+ 1.3	+ 6.2
Yarn & Thread Mills	56.1	55.7	54.4	+ 0.7	+ 3.1

* Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June 1983 (thous)	May 1983 (thous)	June 1982 (thous)	May 1983	June 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.7	87.4	85.5	+ 0.3	+ 2.6
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	26.8	26.9	27.5	- 0.4	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.4	42.5	40.7	- 0.2	+ 4.2
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.7	21.7	0	0
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.9	10.8	6.4	+ 0.9	+70.3
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.4	8.6	0	-25.6
Printing & Publishing	21.2	21.4	21.3	- 0.9	- 0.5
Newspapers	8.6	8.5	8.6	+ 1.2	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.2	35.8	37.8	+ 1.1	- 4.2
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.7	13.5	15.4	+ 1.5	-11.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.1	26.0	26.3	+ 0.4	- 0.8
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.5	5.5	6.2	0	-11.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,571.0	1,566.8	1,553.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
MINING	4.8	4.7	4.7	+ 2.1	+ 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	100.6	100.7	102.8	- 0.1	- 2.1
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.6	114.3	115.4	+ 0.3	- 0.7
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.7	55.3	55.1	+ 0.7	+ 1.1
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.7	53.6	54.5	+ 0.2	- 1.5
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	482.2	480.5	477.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade	125.6	125.4	125.2	+ 0.2	+ 0.3
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	72.8	72.3	72.6	+ 0.7	+ 0.3
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	52.8	53.1	52.6	- 0.6	+ 0.4
Retail Trade	356.6	355.1	351.9	+ 0.4	+ 1.3
General Merchandise Stores	54.0	53.5	53.6	+ 0.9	+ 0.7
Variety Stores	13.7	13.3	12.7	+ 3.0	+ 7.9
Food Stores	58.7	58.2	57.9	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.2	98.9	97.1	+ 0.3	+ 2.2
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	370.0	367.3	357.6	+ 0.7	+ 3.5
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	20.7	21.0	19.4	- 1.4	+ 6.7
Personal Services	23.3	23.6	22.6	- 1.3	+ 3.1
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	399.6	400.4	398.3	- 0.2	+ 0.3
Federal	48.7	48.5	48.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
State	119.1	120.8	118.2	- 1.4	+ 0.8
Education	60.2	61.6	59.7	- 2.3	+ 0.8
Other	58.9	59.2	58.5	- 0.5	+ 0.7
Local	231.8	231.1	232.0	+ 0.3	- 0.1
Education	129.1	128.9	129.7	+ 0.2	- 0.5
Other	102.7	102.2	102.3	+ 0.5	+ 0.4

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

June, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	June, 1983	May, 1983	June, 1982	May, 1983	June, 1982
MANUFACTURING	622.5	615.2	620.0	+ 1.2	+ 0.4
DURABLE GOODS	221.4	218.2	220.6	+ 1.5	+ 0.4
Lumber & Wood Products	28.5	27.9	27.0	+ 2.2	+ 5.6
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.0	6.9	6.4	+ 1.4	+ 9.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.5	3.3	2.6	+ 6.1	+ 34.6
Furniture & Fixtures	71.6	70.7	67.8	+ 1.3	+ 5.6
Household Furniture	65.0	64.1	60.7	+ 1.4	+ 7.1
Wood Household Furniture	34.9	34.5	32.2	+ 1.2	+ 8.4
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	13.1	12.9	12.9	+ 1.6	+ 1.6
Structural Clay Products	1.6	1.5	1.4	+ 6.7	+ 14.3
Primary Metal Industries	6.1	6.0	6.2	+ 1.7	- 1.6
Fabricated Metal Products	16.7	16.5	17.8	+ 1.2	- 6.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.5	25.0	26.5	+ 2.0	- 3.8
Special Industry Machinery	4.3	4.2	4.6	+ 2.4	- 6.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	36.3	35.8	38.7	+ 1.4	- 6.2
Household Appliances	4.7	4.4	4.8	+ 6.8	- 2.1
Transportation Equipment	12.5	12.4	12.5	+ 0.8	0
NONDURABLE GOODS	401.1	397.0	399.4	+ 1.0	+ 0.4
Food & Kindred Products	29.1	28.5	29.4	+ 2.1	- 1.0
Meat Products	14.5	14.2	14.3	+ 2.1	+ 1.4
Meat Packing	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Bakery Products	4.6	4.6	4.5	0	+ 2.2
Beverages	2.7	2.7	3.0	0	- 10.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.2	17.1	18.6	+ 0.6	- 7.5
Cigarettes	15.3	15.2	16.7	+ 0.7	- 8.4
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.4	1.4	1.3	0	+ 7.7
Textile Mill Products	200.0	198.1	197.4	+ 1.0	+ 1.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	57.9	57.3	59.2	+ 1.0	- 2.2
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.5	30.1	31.5	+ 1.3	- 3.2
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.3	27.0	27.6	+ 1.1	- 1.1
Knitting Mills	66.2	65.6	65.3	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.0	19.7	18.9	+ 1.5	+ 5.8
Hosiery, NEC	19.8	19.6	19.8	+ 1.0	0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.3	12.7	0	+ 4.7
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.5	5.2	5.9	+ 5.8	- 6.8
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	13.0	12.8	12.1	+ 1.6	+ 7.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	51.8	51.3	50.1	+ 1.0	+ 3.4
Apparel & Other Textile Products	76.2	75.4	74.1	+ 1.1	+ 2.8
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.2	22.9	23.8	+ 1.3	- 2.5
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	37.0	36.7	35.3	+ 0.8	+ 4.8
Paper & Allied Products	16.6	16.5	16.5	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.9	7.9	8.1	0	- 2.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.0	5.0	4.9	0	+ 2.0
Printing & Publishing	12.6	12.8	12.6	- 1.6	0
Newspapers	3.2	3.2	3.2	0	0
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.7	23.3	24.5	+ 1.7	- 3.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.7	9.4	10.5	+ 3.2	- 7.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	20.9	20.5	20.8	+ 2.0	+ 0.5
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.8	4.8	5.5	0	- 12.7

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

June, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	June 1983	May 1983	June 1982	June 1983	May 1983	June 1982	June 1983	May 1983	June 1982
MANUFACTURING	$ 268.92	$265.20	$240.16	40.5	40.0	38.0	$ 6.64	$ 6.63	$ 6.32
DURABLE GOODS	275.81	269.56	247.76	40.5	39.7	38.0	6.81	6.79	6.52
Lumber & Wood Products	235.31	233.19	207.82	41.5	41.2	38.7	5.67	5.66	5.37
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	221.50	221.53	210.65	40.2	39.7	39.3	5.51	5.58	5.36
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	282.32	286.38	235.38	44.6	44.4	37.6	6.33	6.45	6.26
Furniture & Fixtures	228.15	224.03	195.30	39.0	38.1	35.0	5.85	5.88	5.58
Household Furniture	227.56	223.85	194.18	39.1	38.2	34.8	5.82	5.86	5.58
Wood Household Furniture	224.72	220.70	189.04	40.2	39.2	35.6	5.59	5.63	5.31
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	312.57	298.70	286.08	41.9	41.2	39.9	7.46	7.25	7.17
Structural Clay Products	241.77	244.55	219.62	39.7	39.7	39.5	6.09	6.16	5.56
Primary Metal Industries	331.96	315.17	290.00	43.0	41.8	40.0	7.72	7.54	7.25
Fabricated Metal Products	303.48	300.17	274.06	40.9	40.4	38.6	7.42	7.43	7.10
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	323.75	317.[illegible]9	302.06	41.4	40.6	40.6	7.82	7.81	7.44
Special Industry Machinery	290.39	285.02	268.02	40.9	40.2	38.9	7.10	7.09	6.89
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	319.16	309.68	295.99	40.4	39.4	39.1	7.90	7.86	7.57
Household Appliances	248.25	231.38	216.23	40.3	37.5	36.9	6.16	6.17	5.86
Transportation Equipment	312.48	303.73	276.21	42.0	41.1	39.8	7.44	7.39	6.94
NONDURABLE GOODS	265.93	262.25	235.98	40.6	40.1	38.0	6.55	6.54	6.21
Food & Kindred Products	245.78	244.11	223.87	39.9	39.5	38.4	6.16	6.18	5.83
Meat Products	203.36	194.46	180.54	37.8	36.9	36.4	5.38	5.27	4.96
Meat Packing	323.60	321.37	294.03	42.3	41.9	40.5	7.65	7.67	7.26
Dairy Products	274.29	264.63	252.30	44.6	43.1	43.5	6.15	6.14	5.80
Grain Mill Products	280.79	290.17	263.84	43.0	44.3	42.9	6.53	6.55	6.15
Bakery Products	272.54	283.62	227.30	41.8	43.5	36.9	6.52	6.52	6.16
Beverages	432.57	434.00	408.10	43.3	43.4	43.6	9.99	10.00	9.36
Tobacco Manufacturers	444.25	440.80	422.83	38.1	38.0	38.3	11.66	11.60	11.04
Cigarettes	472.46	469.10	443.90	38.6	38.2	38.4	12.24	12.28	11.56
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	179.73	185.09	182.73	33.1	36.4	35.9	5.43	5.03	5.09
Textile Mill Products	250.25	248.24	212.06	41.5	41.1	37.6	6.03	6.04	5.64
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	271.51	272.74	226.69	41.2	41.2	36.8	6.59	6.62	6.16
Weaving Mills, Cotton	270.80	268.66	224.22	40.6	40.4	36.4	6.67	6.65	6.16
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	272.77	276.78	228.78	41.9	42.0	37.2	6.51	6.59	6.15
Knitting Mills	232.37	227.86	200.72	41.2	40.4	37.8	5.64	5.64	5.31
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	215.46	206.33	188.37	40.5	39.3	37.3	5.32	5.25	5.05
Hosiery, NEC	224.92	217.95	191.57	40.6	39.2	36.7	5.54	5.56	5.22
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	257.69	258.30	229.25	41.9	42.0	39.8	6.15	6.15	5.76
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	295.61	300.28	228.54	46.7	46.7	39.0	6.33	6.43	5.86
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	274.55	266.70	244.20	42.5	42.2	40.7	6.46	6.32	6.00
Yarn & Thread Mills	241.92	242.76	203.42	42.0	42.0	37.6	5.76	5.78	5.41
Apparel & Other Textile Products	184.51	179.89	166.22	38.2	37.4	35.9	4.83	4.81	4.63
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	183.14	181.54	170.77	37.3	37.2	35.8	4.91	4.88	4.77
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	177.25	171.03	160.81	38.2	37.1	36.3	4.64	4.61	4.43
Paper & Allied Products	450.12	436.32	404.92	44.0	43.2	42.4	10.23	10.10	9.55
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	544.56	522.37	486.78	45.8	44.8	44.7	11.89	11.66	10.89
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	315.44	311.01	269.72	42.8	42.2	39.9	7.37	7.37	6.76
Printing & Publishing	286.03	286.73	265.65	38.6	38.8	38.5	7.41	7.39	6.90
Newspapers	264.00	259.49	246.96	34.6	33.7	34.3	7.63	7.70	7.20
Chemicals & Allied Products	359.77	364.95	319.51	41.4	41.9	39.3	8.69	8.71	8.13
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	409.49	414.30	361.80	42.7	42.8	40.2	9.59	9.68	9.00
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	337.84	317.94	330.79	41.2	39.3	42.3	8.20	8.09	7.82
MINING	290.32	285.12	281.67	40.1	39.6	41.3	7.24	7.20	6.82
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	409.63	407.43	386.04	40.8	40.5	41.2	10.04	10.06	9.37
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	195.60	195.89	199.50	33.9	33.6	35.0	5.77	5.83	5.70
Wholesale Trade	275.22	273.92	262.58	39.6	39.3	38.9	6.95	6.97	6.75
Retail Trade	168.41	166.22	172.49	32.2	31.6	33.3	5.23	5.26	5.18
General Merchandise Stores	145.79	143.70	147.09	30.5	30.0	31.7	4.78	4.79	4.64
Variety Stores	118.30	115.38	INA	31.8	31.1	INA	3.72	3.71	INA
Food Stores	192.89	188.75	189.99	33.2	32.1	33.1	5.81	5.88	5.74
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	127.30	127.49	121.10	30.6	30.5	29.9	4.16	4.18	4.05
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	167.17	168.86	165.43	34.9	35.4	35.5	4.79	4.77	4.66

1/ Current month data are preliminary.
Information not available.

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STATE LABOR SUMMARY

JULY, 1983

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NORTH CAROLINA
STATE LABOR SUMMARY
July, 1983

Total Employment Declines Slightly: Total employment in the State sustained a small decrease of 2,700 people (-0.1 percent) from the middle of June to the middle of July, 1983. North Carolina's total employment in July of this year was 2,696,000. Two of the three principal employment sectors did show over-the-month growth, however. Agricultural employment hit its seasonal peak in July, rising by 35,800 persons (+42.0 percent) over the month. Also, the "all other" nonagricultural employment sector added 2,500 workers (+0.9 percent) from June to July. Those gains were more than offset by the loss of 41,000 people (-1.8 percent) in nonagricultural wage and salary employment (excluding dual jobholders).

Manufacturing Employment Down Nominally: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (including dual jobholders) dipped fractionally (-100) in July of this year to 782,900. The durable goods segment exhibited net monthly growth of 1,100 workers (+0.4 percent) as five industry groups experienced modest gains. Lumber and wood displayed the largest net over-the-month increase, up by 400 (+1.2 percent). The only two durable goods industries to sustain losses were nonelectrical and electrical machinery, each down by 100 workers. The nondurable goods segment dropped some 1,200 people (-0.2 percent) in July, 1983, as most of its industries either remained constant or lost workers. Textile mill products experienced the largest drop (-1,800) due in part to temporary factory closings. On the positive side, food and kindred products added 1,100 employees (+2.6 percent) over the month.

Nonmanufacturing Employment Drops Sharply: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment fell by 48,100 workers (-3.0 percent) to 1,537,500 in the middle of July, 1983. That was almost exclusively due to the anticipated seasonal reduction in government of 54,200 (-13.2 percent). Several nonmanufacturing industries did show significant gains, however. Those were construction (+1,400), trade (+2,200), and service and miscellaneous (+2,300).

Both Manufacturing And Nonmanufacturing Up Over The Year: For the first time in quite a while, North Carolina's manufacturing and nonmanufacturing employment levels are above one year ago. Manufacturing in July, 1983, was 12,800 (+1.7 percent) above July, 1982, as several of its industry groups showed strong improvement: lumber and wood, +1,600; furniture and fixtures, +5,100; textile mill products, +5,300; and apparel and related products, +3,700. Nonmanufacturing employment was up by 19,400 (+1.3 percent) over the year as four of its industry groups displayed impressive increases: trade, +5,900; finance, insurance, and real estate, +2,400; service and miscellaneous, +9,400; and government, +2,800.

Total Unemployment Increases Slightly In July: Total unemployment in North Carolina advanced to 254,900 from mid-June to mid-July of this year. That was a net monthly rise of 3,300 people (+1.3 percent). Consequently, the State's unadjusted rate of unemployment edged upward from 8.5 percent in June to 8.6 percent in July. The unemployment situation was much worse one year ago (July, 1982) when there were 302,600 persons out of work and the rate was 10.1 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation were 9.4 percent in July, 1983, 10.2 percent in June, 1983, and 9.8 percent twelve months ago. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 9.5 percent this July, 10.0 percent in June, and 9.8 percent in July of 1982.

NORTH CAROLINA CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE 1/

July, 1983

ITEM	NUMBER			CHANGE TO CURRENT MONTH FROM:			
	July 2/ 1983	June 3/ 1983	July 1982	June, 1983		July, 1982	
				Net	%	Net	%
Civilian Labor Force	2,950,900	2,950,300	2,995,400	+ 600	*	- 44,500	- 1.5
Employment, Total	2,696,000	2,698,700	2,692,800	- 2,700	- 0.1	+ 3,200	+ 0.1
Agricultural Employment	121,000	85,200	130,100	+ 35,800	+ 42.0	- 9,100	- 7.0
Nonag. Wage & Salary Employ. 4/	2,281,200	2,322,200	2,280,400	- 41,000	- 1.8	+ 800	*
All Other Nonag. Employ. 5/	293,800	291,300	282,300	+ 2,500	+ 0.9	+ 11,500	+ 4.1
Unemployment, Total	254,900	251,600	302,600	+ 3,300	+ 1.3	- 47,700	- 15.8
State Unadjusted Rate	8.6	8.5	10.1	+ 0.1	XXX	- 1.5	XXX
National Rate (Unadjusted)	9.4	10.2	9.8	- 0.8	XXX	- 0.4	XXX
(Seasonally Adjusted)	9.5	10.0	9.8	- 0.5	XXX	- 0.3	XXX

1/ All data revised to reflect 1982 benchmark revisions.
2/ Preliminary estimates.
3/ Revised estimates.
4/ Adjusted to exclude dual jobholders and the effects of worker commuting.
5/ Includes self-employed workers, unpaid family workers, and domestic workers in private households.
* Less than 0.05 percent.

Hourly Earnings Increase While Hours Worked Decrease: From mid-June, 1983, to mid-July, 1983, the average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees rose by 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) to $6.68. Also, that figure represented a net yearly gain of 35¢ an hour (+5.5 percent). The durable goods segment enjoyed a good over-the-month increase of 5¢ an hour (+0.7 percent) to hit $6.85 this July. Also, durable goods experienced a modest over-the-year gain of 29¢ an hour (+4.4 percent). The durable goods industry to record the largest net monthly increase was primary metals, rising by 23¢ and hour (+3.0 percent) to reach $7.86 in July of this year. Following that was nonelectrical machinery, which added 13¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to arrive at $7.91. The nondurable goods segment displayed a net over-the-month increase of 4¢ an hour (+0.6 percent) for a July figure of $6.59. Moreover, that was 39¢ an hour (+6.3 percent) more than one year ago. Rubber and plastic products was the nondurable goods industry that registered the largest net over-the-month gain, up by 37¢ an hour (+4.5 percent) to $8.54. Chemicals and allied products was next, rising from June to July by 20¢ an hour (+2.3 percent) to $8.90. From the middle of June to the middle of July, 1983, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers suffered a loss of $1.05 (-0.4 percent), falling to $267.87. However, a good yearly increase of $31.76 (+13.5 percent) was seen. Average weekly hours also fell over the month to 40.1, down by 0.4 of an hour. The current level is still 2.8 hours above July, 1982.

Consumer Price Index Up Over The Month: According to the U. S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers rose to 299.3 in July, 1983. That figure represented a monthly increase of 0.4 percent and a yearly rise of 2.4 percent. Most of the principal categories experienced over-the-month increases. Other goods and services led the way, up by 1.1 percent in July. Following that was the cost of transportation, which rose by 0.7 percent over the month. The only main group to decline from June to July was apparel and upkeep, down by 0.3 percent. Basically, what the index means is that goods and services which cost $100.00 in 1967, the base year, cost $299.30 in July, 1983.

Employment And Unemployment Outlook: The outlook for both total employment and total unemployment in North Carolina during the next two months is a bright one. The State's total employment is expected to grow gradually during August and September as the back-to-school period has a positive seasonal impact on both trade and government employment. Even the anticipated seasonal loss of well over 35,000 agricultural workers should not offset the forward trend. Moreover, Statewide total unemployment may decline noticeably during this period resulting in a drop in the rate to as low as 8.0 percent.

The Number Of Job Applicants Declines In July: There were 175,750 active job applicants registered for work with the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina as of July 31, 1983. That was a net monthly decrease of 3,982 persons (-2.2 percent). The twenty-two to thirty-nine age category continues to be the largest active job applicant group with 102,962, or 58.6 percent, of the total. Following that was the twenty-one and under sector which numbered 34,331 or 19.5 percent. Once again the fifty-five and over age segment had the fewest active applicants with 9,404 or only 5.4 percent of the total. Females comprised 49.6 percent of the active applicants with a count of 87,144. Also, blacks, not Hispanic, numbered 70,148 and represented 39.9 percent of the total. The next table gives more data from the Statewide active job applicant file as of July 31, 1983.

STATEWIDE ACTIVE APPLICANT FILE

July 31, 1983

	Number	Percent
Total	175,750	100.0
Age		
21 and Under	34,331	19.5
22-39	102,962	58.6
40-54	29,053	16.5
55 and Over	9,404	5.4
Sex		
Male	88,606	50.4
Female	87,144	49.6
Ethnic Group		
White, not Hispanic	100,724	57.3
Black, not Hispanic	70,148	39.9
Hispanic	1,761	1.0
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,042	1.2
Other Races and Undetermined	1,075	0.6
Eligible Claimant	70,258	40.0
Veteran	26,370	15.0
Handicapped	10,461	6.0
Welfare	18,414	10.5
Seasonal Farmworker	4,722	2.7

Job Openings Decrease Over The Month: Some 34,530 job openings were received by the Job Service offices across the State during the month of July, 1983. That figure represented a net over-the-month drop of 750 (-2.1 percent). A very high percentage of those jobs was filled (87.5 percent or 30,222). By far the largest number of job openings, received in July was in farming, fishing, and forestry with 17,712. An excellent 99.7 percent of those openings were filled. A distant second was service, which had 3,451 job openings received and 2,798 or 81.1 percent filled. A close third was structural work with 3,010 received and 2,323 filled (77.2 percent). The sales group continues to record the fewest job openings received with just 667, but most of those were filled as well (372 or 55.8 percent). From October 1, 1982, through July 31, 1983, there have been 174,591 job openings received by the Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina. The vast majority of those has been filled (142,719 or 81.7 percent). As of July 31, 1983, there were 11,265 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file. A large percentage of those (56.4 percent or 6,352) had been open for thirty days or more and should therefore be classified as hard-to-fill. The following table provides additional information on Statewide job openings in July, 1983, and for the fiscal year to date.

STATEWIDE JOB OPENINGS DATA

	July, 1983		Fiscal Year to Date 1/		Unfilled (Nonag.) As Of July 31, 1983	
Occupation	Received	Filled	Received	Filled	Total	30 Days or More
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	857	480	7,156	3,467	1,010	653
Clerical	2,273	1,573	19,899	14,045	1,738	959
Sales	667	372	6,413	4,036	724	395
Service	3,451	2,798	25,317	19,966	1,891	1,114
Domestic	319	275	2,626	2,298	46	23
Other Services	3,132	2,523	22,691	17,668	1,845	1,091
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	17,712	17,656	48,988	47,291	271	133
Processing	1,215	995	5,725	4,953	387	239
Machine Trades	1,390	915	10,930	7,830	1,207	697
Bench Work	1,851	1,381	14,634	12,217	1,407	858
Structural Work	3,010	2,323	18,526	14,502	1,593	772
Miscellaneous	2,105	1,729	17,003	14,412	1,037	532
Motor Freight & Trans.	425	282	3,559	2,472	266	108
Pkg. & Mat. Hand.	1,579	1,386	12,775	11,494	691	383
Other	101	61	669	446	80	41
Total	34,531	30,222	174,591	142,719	11,265	6,352

1/ October 1, 1982, through July 31, 1983.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1983 (Thous.)	June 1983 (Thous.)	July 1982 (Thous.)	June 1983	July 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2320.4	2368.6	2288.2	- 2.0	+ 1.4
MANUFACTURING	782.9	783.0	770.1	- 0.01	+ 1.7
DURABLE GOODS	294.6	293.5	288.6	+ 0.4	+ 2.1
Lumber & Wood Products	33.3	32.9	31.7	+ 1.2	+ 5.0
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.0	12.0	11.8	0	+ 1.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.0	8.0	7.5	0	+ 6.7
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.2	4.1	3.2	+ 2.4	+ 31.3
Furniture & Fixtures	80.6	80.6	75.5	0	+ 6.8
Household Furniture	72.3	72.3	66.9	0	+ 8.1
Wood Household Furniture	37.9	37.9	35.3	0	+ 7.4
Upholstered Household Furniture	29.9	29.8	27.2	+ 0.3	+ 9.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.7	16.4	16.4	+ 1.8	+ 1.8
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.1	1.9	+ 4.8	+ 15.8
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.6	4.6	4.3	0	+ 7.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.6	8.4	8.1	+ 2.4	+ 6.2
Fabricated Metal Products	23.5	23.3	24.7	+ 0.9	- 4.9
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.6	9.5	10.1	+ 1.1	- 5.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.8	49.9	50.6	- 0.2	- 1.6
Special Industry Machinery	6.5	6.6	6.8	- 1.5	- 4.4
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.8	51.9	51.5	- 0.2	+ 0.6
Household Appliances	5.8	5.7	5.7	+ 1.8	+ 1.8
Transportation Equipment	15.9	15.7	15.5	+ 1.3	+ 2.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.4	14.4	14.6	0	- 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	488.3	489.5	481.5	- 0.2	+ 1.4
Food & Kindred Products	43.9	42.8	43.4	+ 2.6	+ 1.2
Meat Products	16.8	16.9	16.8	- 0.6	0
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	2.9	2.9	3.0	0	- 3.3
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	+ 4.2	0
Bakery Products	8.0	7.9	7.7	+ 1.3	+ 3.9
Beverages	6.9	6.6	6.8	+ 4.5	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	21.7	21.9	23.2	- 0.9	- 6.5
Cigarettes	19.1	19.2	20.0	- 0.5	- 4.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.8	2.1	2.4	- 14.3	- 25.0
Textile Mill Products	223.7	225.5	218.4	- 0.8	+ 2.4
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	64.9	64.9	64.9	0	0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.0	34.2	34.0	- 0.6	0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.6	30.4	30.7	+ 0.7	- 0.3
Knitting Mills	75.9	76.0	73.2	- 0.1	+ 3.7
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.9	23.1	21.2	- 0.9	+ 0.8
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.6	21.7	0	- 0.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.6	15.6	14.2	0	+ 9.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.5	6.4	6.4	+ 1.6	+ 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.3	15.4	14.3	- 0.6	+ 7.0
Yarn & Thread Mills	54.6	56.3	53.3	- 3.0	+ 2.4

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1983

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1983 (Thous.)	June 1983 (Thous.)	July 1982 (Thous.)	June 1983	July 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	87.9	88.1	84.2	- 0.2	+ 4.4
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.1	27.0	27.0	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	42.7	42.8	40.1	- 0.2	+ 6.5
Paper & Allied Products	21.7	21.7	21.6	0	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.7	10.9	- 0.9	- 2.8
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.4	6.4	0	0
Printing & Publishing	21.2	21.2	20.9	0	+ 1.4
Newspapers	8.7	8.6	8.5	+ 1.2	+ 2.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.2	36.4	37.3	- 0.5	- 2.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.8	13.8	15.1	0	- 8.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.4	26.3	26.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.6	5.6	6.4	0	- 12.5
NONMANUFACTURING	1537.5	1585.6	1518.1	- 3.0	+ 1.3
MINING	4.9	4.9	4.7	.0	+ 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	105.1	103.7	105.9	+ 1.4	- 0.8
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	114.9	115.2	115.4	- 0.3	- 0.4
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.1	55.6	54.7	- 0.9	+ 0.7
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.2	54.0	55.1	+ 0.4	- 1.6
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	483.0	480.8	477.1	+ 0.5	+ 1.2
Wholesale Trade	124.9	124.2	125.5	+ 0.6	- 0.5
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	73.3	73.0	72.5	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.6	51.2	53.0	+ 0.8	- 2.6
Retail Trade	358.1	356.6	351.6	+ 0.4	+ 1.8.
General Merchandise Stores	52.8	52.8	52.3	0	+ 1.0
Variety Stores	13.5	13.5	12.7	0	+ 6.3
Food Stores	58.7	58.6	57.9	+ 0.2	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	100.7	100.2	98.3	+ 0.5	+ 2.4
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	373.4	371.1	364.0	+ 0.6	+ 2.6
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	22.5	22.6	21.7	- 0.4	+ 3.7
Personal Services	23.0	22.8	22.2	+ 0.9	+ 3.6
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	355.5	409.7	352.7	- 13.2	+ 0.8
Federal	49.8	49.5	49.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.0
State	111.5	117.4	108.1	- 5.0	+ 3.1
Education	50.0	57.5	48.5	- 13.0	+ 3.1
Other	61.5	59.9	59.6	+ 2.7	+ 3.2
Local	194.2	242.8	195.3	- 20.0	- 0.6
Education	87.6	138.0	89.2	- 36.5	- 1.8
Other	106.6	104.8	106.1	+ 1.7	+ 0.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT July 1983 (thous)	June 1983 (thous)	July 1982 (thous)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM: June 1983	July 1982
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,355.6	2,352.3	2,322.9	+ 0.1	+ 1.4
MANUFACTURING	789.3	781.5	776.1	+ 1.0	+ 1.7
DURABLE GOODS	296.7	293.4	290.5	+ 1.1	+ 2.1
Lumber & Wood Products	33.0	32.7	31.4	+ 0.9	+ 5.1
Sawmills & Planing Mills	11.9	11.8	11.7	+ 0.8	+ 1.7
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.9	8.1	7.4	- 2.5	+ 6.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.2	4.1	3.2	+ 2.4	+31.2
Furniture & Fixtures	82.6	81.2	77.3	+ 1.7	+ 6.9
Household Furniture	74.2	72.7	68.6	+ 2.1	+ 8.2
Wood Household Furniture	38.8	37.9	36.1	+ 2.4	+ 7.5
Upholstered Household Furniture	30.3	29.8	27.5	+ 1.7	+10.2
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	16.5	16.2	16.2	+ 1.9	+ 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.1	2.0	1.8	+ 5.0	+16.7
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	4.5	4.5	4.2	0	+ 7.1
Primary Metal Industries	8.6	8.4	8.1	+ 2.4	+ 6.2
Fabricated Metal Products	23.7	23.3	24.9	+ 1.7	- 4.8
Fab. Structural Metal Products	9.5	9.5	10.0	0	- 5.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	49.8	49.9	50.6	- 0.2	- 1.6
Special Industry Machinery	6.6	6.6	6.9	0	- 4.3
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	52.0	51.8	51.7	+ 0.4	+ 0.6
Household Appliances	5.8	5.7	5.7	+ 1.8	+ 1.8
Transportation Equipment	15.9	15.5	15.5	+ 2.6	+ 2.6
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.6	14.4	14.8	+ 1.4	- 1.4
NONDURABLE GOODS	492.6	488.1	485.6	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Food & Kindred Products	43.3	41.6	42.8	+ 4.1	+ 1.2
Meat Products	16.8	16.9	16.8	- 0.6	0
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Dairy Products	2.8	2.9	2.9	- 3.4	- 3.4
Grain Mill Products	2.5	2.4	2.5	_ 4.2	0
Bakery Products	8.0	7.8	7.7	+ 2.6	+ 3.9
Beverages	6.7	6.4	6.6	+ 4.7	+ 1.5
Tobacco Manufacturers	23.0	23.5	24.6	- 2.1	- 6.5
Cigarettes	18.7	18.8	19.6	- 0.5	- 4.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.2	3.9	4.2	-17.9	-23.8
Textile Mill Products	226.0	224.6	220.5	+ 0.6	+ 2.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	65.7	64.8	65.7	+ 1.4	0
Weaving Mills, Cotton	34.3	34.1	34.3	+ 0.6	0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	30.8	30.4	30.9	+ 1.3	- 0.3
Knitting Mills	76.3	75.0	73.6	+ 1.7	+ 3.7
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	23.0	22.9	21.3	+ 0.4	+ 8.0
Hosiery, NEC	21.4	21.3	21.5	+ 0.5	- 0.5
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	15.7	15.5	14.3	+ 1.3	+ 9.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.5	6.3	6.4	+ 3.2	+ 1.6
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	15.8	15.3	14.7	+ 3.3	+ 7.5
Yarn & Thread Mills	55.6	56.2	54.3	- 1.1	+ 2.4

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1983
(Seasonally Adjusted)

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1983 (thous)	June 1983 (thous)	July 1982 (thous)	June 1983	July 1982
Apparel & Other Textile Products	88.8	87.7	85.0	+ 1.3	+ 4.5
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	27.3	26.8	27.2	+ 1.9	+ 0.4
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	43.1	42.4	40.5	+ 1.7	+ 6.4
Paper & Allied Products	21.8	21.7	21.7	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.6	10.8	6.4	- 1.9	65.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.4	8.4	0	-23.8
Printing & Publishing	21.5	21.3	21.2	+ 0.9	+ 1.4
Newspapers	8.6	8.6	8.4	0	+ 2.4
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.2	36.1	37.3	+ 0.3	- 2.9
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	13.8	13.7	15.1	+ 0.7	- 8.6
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	26.3	26.1	26.0	+ 0.8	+ 1.2
Other Nondurable Goods 3/	5.7	5.5	6.5	+ 3.6	-12.3
NONMANUFACTURING	1,566.3	1,570.8	1,546.8	- 0.3	+ 1.3
MINING	4.9	4.8	4.7	+ 2.1	+ 4.3
CONSTRUCTION	101.0	100.6	101.7	+ 0.4	- 0.7
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	115.0	114.7	115.4	+ 0.3	- 0.3
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	55.7	55.7	55.2	0	+ 0.9
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	53.6	53.5	54.4	+ 0.2	- 1.5
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	483.4	482.2	477.3	+ 0.2	+ 1.3
Wholesale Trade	124.9	125.6	125.4	- 0.6	- 0.4
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	73.1	72.9	72.2	+ 0.3	+ 1.2
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	51.8	52.7	53.2	- 1.7	- 2.6
Retail Trade	358.5	356.6	351.9	+ 0.5	+ 1.9
General Merchandise Stores	54.0	54.0	53.5	0	+ 0.9
Variety Stores	13.7	13.7	12.9	0	+ 6.2
Food Stores	58.5	58.7	57.7	- 0.3	+ 1.4
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	99.2	99.1	96.8	+ 0.1	+ 2.5
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS 4/	365.7	368.5	356.5	- 0.8	+ 2.6
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	19.4	20.8	18.7	- 6.7	+ 3.7
Personal Services	23.3	23.2	22.5	+ 0.4	+ 3.6
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	9.9	9.9	10.0	0	- 1.0
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	397.1	400.9	394.4	- 0.9	+ 0.7
Federal	48.7	48.6	48.3	+ 0.2	+ 0.8
State	123.3	119.9	119.4	+ 2.8	+ 3.3
Education	63.4	60.7	61.4	+ 4.4	+ 3.3
Other	59.9	59.2	58.0	+ 1.2	+ 3.3
Local	225.1	232.4	226.7	- 3.1	- 0.7
Education	122.5	129.6	124.6	- 5.5	- 1.7
Other	102.6	102.8	102.1	- 0.2	+ 0.5

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

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ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

July, 1983

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	July 1983	June 1983	July 1982	June 1983	July 1982
MANUFACTURING	623.2	623.8	608.4	- 0.1	+ 2.4
DURABLE GOODS	223.1	222.2	216.3	+ 0.4	+ 3.1
Lumber & Wood Products	28.9	28.6	27.3	+ 1.0	+ 5.9
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.0	7.0	6.6	0	+ 6.1
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	3.7	3.6	2.7	+ 2.8	+ 37.0
Furniture & Fixtures	71.7	71.7	66.4	0	+ 8.0
Household Furniture	65.0	65.1	59.5	- 0.2	+ 9.2
Wood Household Furniture	35.0	35.0	32.2	0	+ 8.7
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	13.4	13.2	13.1	+ 1.5	+ 2.3
Structural Clay Products	1.7	1.7	1.4	0	+ 21.4
Primary Metal Industries	6.2	6.1	5.7	+ 1.6	+ 8.8
Fabricated Metal Products	17.1	16.8	18.0	+ 1.8	- 5.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	25.1	25.2	26.3	- 0.4	- 4.6
Special Industry Machinery	4.3	4.3	4.6	0	- 6.5
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	36.6	36.7	35.8	- 0.3	+ 2.2
Household Appliances	5.2	5.1	5.1	+ 2.0	+ 2.0
Transportation Equipment	12.8	12.6	12.3	+ 1.6	+ 4.1
NONDURABLE GOODS	400.1	401.6	392.1	- 0.4	+ 2.0
Food & Kindred Products	30.0	29.1	29.5	+ 3.1	+ 1.7
Meat Products	14.4	14.5	14.3	- 0.7	+ 0.7
Meat Packing	2.0	2.0	1.9	0	+ 5.3
Dairy Products	1.6	1.6	1.6	0	0
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.6	1.7	+ 6.3	0
Bakery Products	4.6	4.6	4.4	0	+ 4.5
Beverages	2.8	2.6	2.7	+ 7.7	+ 3.7
Tobacco Manufacturers	17.1	17.2	18.6	- 0.6	- 8.1
Cigarettes	15.3	15.3	16.2	0	- 5.6
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	1.1	1.4	1.7	- 21.4	- 35.3
Textile Mill Products	198.9	200.6	193.0	- 0.8	+ 3.1
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	58.3	58.3	58.0	0	+ 0.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton	30.5	30.6	30.2	- 0.3	+ 1.0
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	27.7	27.6	27.6	+ 0.4	+ 0.4
Knitting Mills	66.5	66.5	63.9	0	+ 4.1
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.0	20.2	18.6	- 1.0	+ 7.5
Hosiery, NEC	19.9	19.9	19.9	0	0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	13.3	13.3	11.9	0	+ 11.8
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.6	5.4	5.4	+ 3.7	+ 3.7
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	12.9	13.0	11.9	- 0.8	+ 8.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.2	51.9	48.8	- 3.3	+ 2.9
Apparel & Other Textile Products	75.9	76.2	72.5	- 0.4	+ 4.7
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	23.2	23.2	23.2	0	0
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	36.9	37.0	34.4	- 0.3	+ 7.3
Paper & Allied Products	16.5	16.6	16.4	- 0.6	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.8	7.9	8.0	- 1.3	- 2.5
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.0	5.0	4.9	0	+ 2.0
Printing & Publishing	12.5	12.7	12.4	- 1.6	+ 0.8
Newspapers	3.3	3.3	3.2	0	+ 3.1
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.4	23.6	23.7	- 0.8	- 1.3
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	9.6	9.7	10.1	- 1.0	- 5.0
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	21.0	20.8	20.5	+ 1.0	+ 2.4
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	4.8	4.8	5.5	0	- 12.7

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products."

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/

July, 1983

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	July 1983	June 1983	July 1982	July 1983	June 1983	July 1982	July 1983	June 1983	July 1982
MANUFACTURING	$ 267.87	$ 268.92	$ 236.11	40.1	40.5	37.3	$ 6.68	$ 6.64	$ 6.33
DURABLE GOODS	272.63	275.40	246.00	39.8	40.5	37.5	6.85	6.80	6.56
Lumber & Wood Products	233.45	236.29	207.28	41.1	41.6	38.6	5.68	5.68	5.37
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	224.47	224.47	202.99	40.3	40.3	37.8	5.57	5.57	5.37
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	242.00	275.88	207.41	40.0	44.0	33.4	6.05	6.27	6.21
Furniture & Fixtures	222.00	230.49	189.16	37.5	39.0	33.9	5.92	5.91	5.58
Household Furniture	222.43	229.91	187.82	37.7	39.1	33.6	5.90	5.88	5.59
Wood Household Furniture	217.93	226.80	184.88	38.1	40.0	34.3	5.72	5.67	5.39
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	315.66	312.38	277.68	42.2	42.1	39.0	7.48	7.42	7.12
Structural Clay Products	253.90	249.74	217.49	42.6	42.4	38.7	5.96	5.89	5.62
Primary Metal Industries	334.05	323.51	275.22	42.5	42.4	38.6	7.86	7.63	7.13
Fabricated Metal Products	315.84	309.92	274.56	42.0	41.6	38.4	7.52	7.45	7.15
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	320.36	323.65	309.48	40.5	41.6	41.1	7.91	7.78	7.53
Special Industry Machinery	286.16	289.27	262.02	39.8	40.8	37.7	7.19	7.09	6.95
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	322.73	319.16	303.00	40.8	40.4	39.3	7.91	7.90	7.71
Household Appliances	236.29	244.77	221.38	38.8	39.8	38.5	6.09	6.15	5.75
Transportation Equipment	307.22	306.45	262.22	40.8	41.3	37.3	7.53	7.42	7.03
NONDURABLE GOODS	265.58	265.28	231.26	40.3	40.5	37.3	6.59	6.55	6.20
Food & Kindred Products	254.41	245.57	228.52	41.1	39.8	39.4	6.19	6.17	5.80
Meat Products	206.66	203.74	192.15	38.7	37.8	38.2	5.34	5.39	5.03
Meat Packing	328.45	334.03	310.48	42.6	43.1	41.9	7.71	7.75	7.41
Dairy Products	263.87	272.00	251.72	43.4	44.3	43.4	6.08	6.14	5.80
Grain Mill Products	288.84	286.87	269.81	43.5	43.4	43.8	6.64	6.61	6.16
Bakery Products	278.39	272.66	247.79	41.8	41.5	38.9	6.66	6.57	6.37
Beverages	502.73	435.69	385.31	48.2	43.7	43.1	10.43	9.97	8.94
Tobacco Manufacturers	446.94	444.25	400.00	38.2	38.1	36.9	11.70	11.66	10.84
Cigarettes	471.24	472.46	424.82	38.5	38.6	37.2	12.24	12.24	11.42
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	185.65	177.00	191.74	34.7	32.9	34.3	5.35	5.38	5.59
Textile Mill Products	246.63	251.68	204.01	40.9	41.6	36.3	6.03	6.05	5.62
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	276.30	277.80	211.56	41.3	41.9	34.4	6.69	6.63	6.15
Weaving Mills, Cotton	275.11	279.14	198.00	41.0	41.6	32.3	6.71	6.71	6.13
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	277.06	277.07	225.46	41.6	42.3	36.6	6.66	6.55	6.16
Knitting Mills	224.72	231.24	199.88	40.2	41.0	37.5	5.59	5.64	5.33
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	203.06	212.13	190.50	39.2	40.1	37.5	5.18	5.29	5.08
Hosiery, NEC	218.59	225.18	194.46	39.6	40.5	36.9	5.52	5.56	5.27
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	249.08	255.01	219.65	40.7	41.6	38.2	6.12	6.13	5.75
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	288.71	295.14	227.76	45.9	46.7	38.8	6.29	6.32	5.87
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	239.86	271.36	217.71	38.5	42.6	36.9	6.23	6.37	5.90
Yarn & Thread Mills	237.69	241.60	197.25	41.7	41.8	36.8	5.70	5.78	5.36
Apparel & Other Textile Products	177.82	181.23	164.68	37.2	37.6	35.8	4.78	4.82	4.60
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	169.53	178.10	167.68	35.1	36.2	35.6	4.83	4.92	4.71
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	176.56	174.64	158.32	38.3	37.8	35.9	4.61	4.62	4.41
Paper & Allied Products	450.40	443.99	397.63	44.2	43.7	41.9	10.19	10.16	9.49
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	555.68	544.56	483.02	46.0	45.8	44.6	12.08	11.89	10.83
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	332.38	319.92	266.66	44.2	43.0	39.1	7.52	7.44	6.82
Printing & Publishing	287.26	283.39	270.40	38.2	38.4	38.3	7.52	7.38	7.06
Newspapers	264.71	265.38	249.70	34.2	34.6	34.3	7.74	7.67	7.28
Chemicals & Allied Products	368.46	361.05	329.97	41.4	41.5	39.9	8.90	8.70	8.27
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	427.15	409.49	370.15	43.9	42.7	40.9	9.73	9.59	9.05
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	367.22	336.60	325.99	43.0	41.2	40.8	8.54	8.17	7.99
MINING	294.74	290.32	285.60	40.1	40.1	42.0	7.35	7.24	6.80
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	425.94	413.91	384.81	41.8	40.9	41.2	10.19	10.12	9.34
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	198.46	196.62	198.60	34.1	33.9	34.6	5.82	5.80	5.74
Wholesale Trade	279.74	277.20	264.32	39.4	39.6	38.7	7.10	7.00	6.83
Retail Trade	170.10	168.53	170.75	32.4	32.1	32.9	5.25	5.25	5.19
General Merchandise Stores	148.20	145.49	146.94	31.2	30.5	31.6	4.75	4.77	4.65
Variety Stores	125.21	117.34	INA	33.3	31.8	INA	3.76	3.69	INA
Food Stores	192.06	191.65	187.37	33.0	33.1	32.7	5.82	5.79	5.73
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	125.82	125.22	124.54	30.1	30.1	30.6	4.18	4.16	4.07
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	167.52	165.52	164.83	34.9	34.7	35.6	4.80	4.77	4.63

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Information not available.